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Minutes
of the
New England Yearly Meeting
of
Women Friends
for
1892
(continued)

A report has been presented by the Committee having charge of our aged Friend Dougal McNab, from the British Provinces, which has been read and accepted, viz; —

Report of the Committee in care of a Friend from the British Provinces.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The Committee in care of the Friend from the British Provinces report that they have given attention to the object of their appointment. Several visits have been paid him, during the year, by a part of the Committee, which appeared to afford him, in his infirmity and age, real comfort and encouragement. He was always cheerful and hopeful, evincing great love and attachment to his friends, and gratitude for their generous support.

The aid furnished by the Yearly Meeting, last year, was applied to his use and benefit, making the closing year of his life more comfortable.

In Second Month last, he passed peacefully and sweetly on to his heavenly home, in the ninety seventh year of his age. He had long been waiting and watching for the change.

His remains were interred in one of Friends burying grounds in China, Me.

Alfred H Jones
Hannah J. Bailey
William C Beale
Committee

Newport Sixth Month 1892

There being a deficiency of seventy five dollars, on account of expenses incurred, the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting is authorized to pay the same to the Committee in charge.

The report of the Committee on the new Method of raising Funds was read and approved, viz: —

Report of the Committee on the New Method of Raising Funds.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The Committee under appointment to carry out the provisions of the plan for raising funds in the Yearly Meeting have carefully considered its practical workings for the past year, and we are encouraged with the success of this system in the Monthly Meetings, where it has been tried.

We now recommend that the report as adopted at our last Yearly Meeting, with some transpositions of sentences and some verbal changes to make it better understood, be printed again in our Minutes this year, and the Method thus in practice by envelopes be continued. The plan as revised is herewith given.

By direction and on behalf of the Committee

Robert C. Ford, Clerk.

Newport R.I. Sixth Month 10th 1892.

This is a revision of the plan proposed last year and is commended to the attention of our members with the hope that in the coming year, there may be a more perfect understanding of the system, and a fuller carrying out of the same.

A Plan for Christian Giving.

The necessity of system in Christian giving is very generally recognized, and together with the principle of proportionate giving, have their warrant in the words of Scripture, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there may be no gatherings when I come." (1 Cor xvi. 2) "The tenth shall be holy unto the Lord." (Lev xxvii. 32) "Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall much be required." (Luke xii. 48.)

We believe there may be many among us who may be sharers of blessings not yet known, which quickened by the

Gospel teaching. "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give, not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver." (2 Cor IX. 7.)

The Mosaic standard relating to tithes and offerings for the Lord's work was not lost sight of by the early Christian Church, but rather did the ancient system of giving receive a new impulse when brought under the power of that sacrifice which was "the offering of Himself once for all."

1st. Duties of Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance.

The Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance shall annually issue a Circular Letter to our Members containing a statement of the several amounts which are necessary to be raised for Yearly Meeting expenses (including obligations which may have been assumed) and for the charitable and benevolent objects under its care, these latter amounts having been specified in the annual reports to the Yearly Meeting by the respective committees, and are to be provided for by the free will offerings of our members.

The Circular Letter shall also embody such other items of interest and advice relating to finances as may have claimed the attention of the Yearly Meeting, and shall give such directions about the use of the envelopes as may seem to be required. It shall contain suitable blanks in which to enter, if desired, an estimate of Monthly and Preparative Meeting expenses with the individual apportionments. The following form is recommended;—

The amount which —— Monthly Meeting has directed to be raised to meet expenses the ensuing year, including its quota of Yearly and Quarterly stocks is $ ____

Quota of the above amount for —— Preparative Meeting $ ____

Current expenses for —— Preparative Meeting $ ____

Total $ ____

Thy proportion of the above amount is about ___ per month

_____ Treasurer.

The Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance shall issue subscription envelopes, which shall express in printed form every item for which funds are desired, with suitable space for figures. They shall contain a blank for the number assigned to the donor, and be arranged for monthly contributions from our members and others who may desire to aid our work. These shall be forwarded with the Circular Letter in their respective proportions to each Monthly Meeting for distribution by its Finance Committee. The Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance shall also furnish the treasurers of the subordinate meetings, at a nominal price, with the initial books of entry for keeping the accounts under this system.

2d. Duties of Monthly Meetings and their Finance Committee.

In each Monthly Meeting a committee on finance, representing each Preparative Meeting within its limits, shall be annually appointed after the official communication is received from the Yearly Meetings Committee on Finance.

This committee shall assist the treasurer of the Monthly Meeting in the apportionment and collection of all funds required for meeting expenses, and in receiving and forwarding all free will offerings that may be contributed towards the objects named in the Circular Letter.

When a Monthly Meeting consists of more than one Preparative Meeting, the treasurer of the Monthly Meeting shall designate one member of the finance committee for each Preparative Meeting, to have charge of its receipts and disbursements, who shall report the same annually to the Preparative Meeting if desired, and

to the Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting.

The treasurer shall make an index in his book of subscribers who may be donors, giving each a number, and when members of the family prefer to be included under one number the Treasurer may adapt his record to such choice.

He shall, with the aid of the finance committee, number twelve envelopes for monthly offerings from each, writing the index number at the upper left hand corner and with the envelopes each one should be given a copy of the Circular Letter after filling in the figures in blanks.

As the envelopes return from the donors, the treasurer shall enter the items in the cash book, stating the number of envelopes and amount of each possible item, any special is provided, with the respective amounts in the proper columns, and shall forward the totals to the respective treasurers of committees having in charge the work for which the money is specifically given. These remittances shall be made quarterly or as often as shall best suit the needs of the working committees.

3d. Duties of Individual Members.

Each member who is able to do so, is desired to enclose in the envelope monthly contributions towards the items "Meeting Expenses" as apportioned by the finance committee, but if preferred the amount may be paid proportionately semi annually or annually. He is also earnestly entreated to contribute free will offerings for any or all the other objects named in the Circular Letter, as may be consistent with his duty to God as a steward of property entrusted to him, being careful always to give an honest reply to the query, "How much owest thou unto my Lord?"

If the donor has no choice but

A difference should be understood that may be placed against the item "General Fund" and the Finance Committee of the Monthly Meeting will distribute it among the objects named as in the judgment seems best.

George Hilyard was appointed to serve on the Nominating Committee in place of John J. Frye who has been obliged to return home.

And the representatives from the Quarterly Meetings propose the name of John B. Bowles, Salem; the Western the name of Charles M. Jones, and Fairfield the name of Joseph E. Haviland to serve on the Finance Committee from their respective Quarterly Meetings which nominations are approved by this Meeting.

The subject of the appointment of delegates to the Conference of American Yearly Meetings to be held at Indianapolis, Ind. in the Tenth Month next, claimed the attention of the Meeting, and it was the united judgment of Friends, that such a committee be appointed consisting of five delegates and three alternates, and Alfred H. Love, Edward Rudderow, Daniel B. Collins, Jesse McPherson, Elam Kirkbride, Joseph E. Bright, William Cox, Edward Williams, Thompson, and David G. Hilyard were appointed a Committee to propose to this Meeting at a future session the names of suitable Friends to constitute said Committee. They were also requested to nominate two Friends and two alternates to attend the opening of Wilmington Yearly Meeting.

The Committee on Nominations presented the names of Friends for a Committee on Western Indians, which were approved and the following Friends were

Minutes.

[illegible] Quarterly Meeting, held [illegible]
[illegible] Monthly Meeting [illegible]
[illegible] Summary of the changes which have occurred in our Quarterly Meetings during the past year was presented & read.

The following changes have occurred in our several Quarterly Meetings during the past year as reported in their records to this Meeting, viz:—

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting reports that it has united with Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in acknowledging the gift of the ministry unto [illegible] John S. Wilbur, & Stephen R. Hazard, late Elder and member of Greenwich Monthly Meeting, died Sixth Month 8th 1892, aged 82 years 7 months, and 15 days. William Jacob, a minister and member of Rhode Island Monthly Meeting, died Eighth Month 31st, 1891, aged 63 years and 11 days. Thomas Wilbur, an Elder and Overseer of Providence Monthly Meeting, died Second Month 12th 1892 aged 72 years 10 months, and 10 days. Edward S. Bailey has united with the Providence Monthly Meeting in place of Thomas Wilbur, deceased, and resides 109 Abbott Street, Providence R. I. That it has united with Providence Monthly Meeting in changing the time of holding that Meeting from 11 o'clock A. M. to 1.30 P. M.

Salem Quarterly Meeting reports that

[illegible] Monthly Meeting
[illegible] appointment of Sylvia A. Hannaby
and Martha E. Jepson to the station of Elder,
and that I have appointed my assistants
[illegible] the Meeting on Ministry and
Oversight. Judith C. Case, an Elder
and member of Salem Monthly Meeting,
died Sixth Month 25th 1892 aged 74 years,
8 months, and 11 days. Thomas Andrews, an
Elder and member of Boston Monthly
Meeting, died South Boston 11th, 1892,
aged 67 years and 17 days.

Sandwich Quarterly Meeting reports that
the meeting for worship at Falmouth
Summer Resort on the First-day of the
Tenth Month is now held on each
First and Fifth days at 10.30 A.M.
Thomas Rowland, an Elder and member
of New Bedford Monthly Meeting, died
Second Month 18th 1892 aged 85 years,
8 months, and 29 days. Gideon Wood
has been appointed correspondent of
New Bedford Monthly Meeting in place of
Thomas Rowland, [illegible] Post office address,
New Bedford, Mass.

Falmouth Quarterly Meeting reports that
it has united with Falmouth Monthly
Meeting in the appointment of Emma C.
Thomas, Rebecca S. Frye, and Hanna E. Frye
to the station of Elder and with Dunbam
Monthly Meeting in the appointment of
Hannah Sandwich and Rosilla B. Elder
to the same station. Susan B. Dixon, a
minister and member of the Orange
Meeting, has removed to reside within
the limits of Vassalboro Monthly Meeting.
Thomas Rodman, an Elder and also
a member of the same Meeting, died
Eighth Month 10th, 1891, aged 78 years,
3 months, and 11 days. That it has

united with Windham Monthly Meeting in the
establishment of Rules & Discipline therein.
Ch. Maria Jones and Elizabeth Lord, to the
station of Elder. Lord Jones, a Minister
and member of this Meeting, deceased
on the 5th of 3rd Month last. Monthly
Meeting. Esther Lord an Elder and a Minister
of this Meeting, died 1st Month 6th 1851.
aged 83 years. Quarterly
Meeting has been established at Smithfield
the 4th Saturday in 12th month
to be held at Providence the 2nd Day following
the second 5th day in each month alternately
the Sixth Month, then it is to be held at
the same time on Third day, following the
third 5th day, corresponding with
Elders, Overseers, Select Committee
Ministers, &c. This Meeting was granted
a Preparative Meeting on Monthly and
Quarterly in Salmakia Monthly Meeting,
to be held at Scituate the 2nd 5th, four
fourth days before the third 5th day
in the first, fifth, and sixth months and
on third day before the third 5th day in
the eighth month, and that Uxbridge
Preparative Meeting on Monthly and Quarterly
be held at Millville on the third 5th day
in the first, fifth, eighth, and sixth months
at Windham.

Smithfield Monthly Meeting records that
George S. Southwick, an Elder and member
of Uxbridge Monthly Meeting, died 12th
Month 28th 1852. aged 76 years and 30 days.
Reuben A. Winder an Elder and member
of Milton Monthly Meeting, died 5th
Month 11th 1851, aged 68 years, 2 months
and 25 days. Daniel Brayton an Elder
and member of the same Meeting,
died Twelfth Month 4th 1851. aged
86 years, 9 months, and 21 days.

Waddsboro Quarterly Meeting reports that
Charles Osborne, an Elder and member of
Waddsboro Monthly Meeting, died South
Carolina 12th, 1892, aged 72 years, that it has
united with Cedar Monthly Meeting in
Ohio, in reducing the gift and exercise
in the ministry, and in the China Monthly Meeting in
appointing Julia Jones to the station of Elder.

Dover Quarterly Meeting reports that it has
added two additional members of the
Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

Plainfield Quarterly Meeting reports that
it has established the office of members
of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.
Sarah M. Richardson an Elder and
member of Sidney Monthly Meeting, died
First Month 6th 1891 aged 83 years, 3 months
and 1 day; Mary Jane Wood, an Elder and
member of Milford Monthly Meeting
died First Month 12th, 1892, aged 85 years,
8 months and 21 days. Lavinia M. Briggs
an Elder and member of the same Meeting,
died First Month 21st, 1892, aged 68 years,
3 months, and 5 days.

Augustus Jones and Albert D. Lippard, the
Committee appointed under the judgment in the
matter of the bequest to the Yearly Meeting
by the late Sarah A. Dobson, have
presented a report which has been accepted,
and they are united with the men's Meeting
in reappointing the same Friends to continue
the service.

A Memorial addressed to the President
and Congress of the United States, in
regard to the atrocities committed
against the colored people of the South,
was read and accepted as

concurrences with our friends.

The following Memorial on the subject of Southern outrages was read and approved, and the Clerk was directed to sign the same, and forward it to the President of the United States and to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled, viz;—

To Benjamin Harrison, the President of the United States, and to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled,

The Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, convened by their Annual Meeting at Newport R.I. having under consideration the atrocities committed against the colored people at the South by armed and lawless men, respectfully ask the extension over that suffering race of the shield and the protection of the General Government, the steel maintenance of their right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness and their protection only by the Southern Law, which should be the safe-guard of every citizen.

The Committee appointed on the concern of Smithfield Quarterly Meeting have presented and a Memorial addressed to the Government of the United States, which has met the approval of this and the Yearly Meeting.

To the Commissioners of the Columbian Exposition to be held in Chicago Ill. in 1893.

The Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England assembled in their Annual Meeting at Newport, R.I. under a deep sense of the importance of their request, ask that the Exposition shall be kept closed on the Sabbath, and that no intoxicating drinks shall be sold on the premises under any pretext whatever.

The Friends' Memorial in relation to closing the Exposition on the Sabbath was read and approved and the Clerk directed to sign the same on behalf of this Meeting, and forward it to the proper authorities viz:—

To Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States and to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled.

The Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England assembled at their Annual Meeting in Newport, R.I. respectfully ask that (all grants of aid in any way to the Columbian Exposition), to be held at Chicago in 1893 be made only on the condition that the Buildings of the Exposition shall be closed on the Sabbath, and that no liquor shall be sold on the premises under any pretext whatever.

Newport R.I. 6th Month 1892

The Committee having charge of the interests of the Freedmen of the South have presented a Report in connection with one from the Freedmen's Normal Institute, at Memphis, Tennessee, which has been read and accepted in concurrence with the Men's Meeting, and Friends were requested to remember the pressing needs of the Institute, and be encouraged to greater liberality. The Nomination of a Committee to serve the coming year was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Report of the Committee on Freedmen.

To the Yearly Meeting:

In the case of the Freedmen's Normal Institute the last year we have experienced seasons of anxious thought, but we can thankfully acknowledge that our Heavenly Father has been mindful of us, and His tender mercies have been over this portion of His heritage.

Before we adjourned in Eighth Month last we received the resignation of our friend, William P. Hastings, who had served as Principal during twenty years previous. His good work and interest for the institution seem yet near us, and those of his daughter, Lettie H. Stover, who became his successor. With so many years experience in the work with her father & teacher and assistant, we believe the school will prosper under her Christian service, provided it shall receive the prayerful interest and practical aid which it has always demanded.

The financial question is the one which we feel must claim special consideration at this time. While we are thankful for donations amounting to $278.22, yet it will be impossible to continue the good work in our care, and hold the trust in the George Fudge Legacy, without an increase of funds at our disposal. It is special, and we fear will not be largely for a limited period, until the productive income from other sources becomes available.

The attendance of students with the aid of the George Fudge Fund, has been large during the closing term, notwithstanding the reduced weekly allowance to each.

The report of our Principal L. H. Stover, relating to the attendance and studies, is at hand, and in one of her recent letters she mentions blessed results from a series of meetings held for evangelistic work with the students.

In addition to the financial statement herewith, we would mention that $200 have been forwarded in donations, to aid the freedmen in other parts of the South, by members of Amesbury Monthly Meeting.

It is hoped that the contributions for the work at Marysville will amount to $500 during the coming year.

By direction of the Committee on Freedmen.
Robert T. Gifford
Secretary

Annual Report of the Freedmen's Normal Institute Maryville, Tennessee, for the Year 1891-2.

Number of days taught	190
Number enrolled	165
Per cent of attendance	89
Number of boarders in the building	68
Number of teachers in the training class	89
Number reading from Bible	165
Number studying arithmetic	165
Number studying English grammar	145
Number studying Geography	136
Number studying English Composition	145
Number studying United States History	75
Number studying Physiology	25
Number studying Scientific Agriculture	18
Number studying Algebra	15
Number studying geology of Tennessee	15
Number studying English Literature	16
Number studying History of Tennessee	18
Number studying Rhetoric	6
Number studying Latin	4
Number studying Greek	1
Number studying botany	1
Number studying Geology	1
Number studying general History	1
Number studying Elements of Psychology	1
Number graduated in the Classical Course	1
Number graduated in the Elementary course	6

On account of lack of funds, we have been unable to hire necessary teachers, and were compelled to close off the Primary department entirely, thereby shutting down our numbers about one third.

L. H. Garner
Principal

Fifth Month 3d 1892

the nomination of a committee to have the care of this section referred to the Committee on Nominations, and the consideration of an appropriation of five hundred dollars for the use of the Committee is referred to the Committee on Finance.

Financial Statement.

Receipts.

Amount received from Augustine Jones, Trustee of the George Stuge Fund	$1.150.10
Amount received from Augustine Jones, Trustee of the Henry Camp Fund	150.00
Amount received from Monthly Meetings	190.22
" " " Boston Preparative Meeting	5.00
" " " Smithfield Monthly Meeting	130.00
" " " other donations	53.00
Total	$1.878.32

Expenditures.

Amount paid Students on Stuge Fund, Autumn Term	$269.62
Amount paid Students on Stuge Fund, Spring Term	1.180.48
Amount paid for repairs on buildings	100.00
" " " School expenses	228.22
Total	$1.878.32

Abbel C. Gifford
Treasurer

We unite with our Friends in accepting the report of the Trustees of the George Stuge Fund.

The Trustees of the George Stuge and Henry Camp Funds present their Annual Report, which is satisfactory, and is as follows, viz:—

The Annual Report of the Trustees of the George Stuge and Henry Camp Funds.

The George Stuge Fund.

To the Yearly Meeting.

Financial Statement.

Receipts.

Balance from last year	$ 6.79
Contributed Seventh Month 1891	727.50
" " First Month 1892	727.50
Interest on Deposit	1.69
	$ 1,463.48

Expenditures.

For the Rhode Island Safe Deposit Co	$ 10.00
Assisting Students, Fall Term	269.62
" " Spring Term	1.180.48
Balance for new account	3.38
	$ 1,463.48

The Henry Camp Fund.

Receipts.

Cash on hand Fifth Month, 1891	149.84
Interest and dividends	68.25
	$ 218.09

Expenditures.

Eighth Month 4. paid on account of L. H. Garner	$ 100.00
Eleventh Month 17 paid on account of L. H. Garner	50.00
Balance for new account	68.09
	$ 218.09

On behalf of the Trustees

James D Chace

Susan Tabor Thompson

The Committee invested with the responsibility of disbursing the income of the Mosher Fund presented their annual report, which was read and approved, and the Committee who served last year was reappointed.

Robert of Committee on Income of the Mosher Fund.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The Committee on the disbursement of the income of the Mosher Fund would report that for books to be used for the Kumallah Mission, the sum of ten dollars ($10.00) was expended.

One hundred and fifty six copies of the

Friends' Review, and fifty two copies of the Christian Worker have been distributed for.
One hundred and forty seven copies of the tract entitled "Plimbers of George Fox and his Friends" by Jane Budge, have been distributed.
Less money than usual has been available during the year on account of the changes in the investments of the Fund, consequently the committee have not been able to accomplish as much as they would otherwise have done.

Alfred H. Jones, Chairman.
Sarah Marble, Secretary.

Newport, R. I. Sixth Month 13th 1892

Income of R. H. Mosher Fund. Treasurer's Report.

Receipts.

Balance from former account	$207.69
Received from Trustees	500.00
Received interest on savings bank deposit	5.44
	$713.13

Payments.

Ella K. Johnston for books in Arabic for Ramallah Mission	$10.00
147 copies "Plimbers of George Fox"	138.05
Subscription 55 copies Christian Worker	55.00
Subscription 156 copies Friends' Review	234.00
7 copies "Manifestation of Life"	6.16
7 copies "Quaker Pictures"	8.85
Postage and Expenses	4.68
	$476.74
Balance to new account	$236.39

J. E. Paige, Treasurer.
Lynn, Sixth Month 6th 1892

The committee on Nominations have proposed the names of Friends to constitute a Committee on Temperance, which were approved.
Those presented by the same committee to give attention to the subject of Peace, were also acceptable to the Meeting.
The Epistle to our near and

of Iowa Yearly Meeting was read and approved.

The committee appointed to present the names of Friends as delegates at the approaching Conference at Indianapolis proposed the following, viz; Augustine Jones, William P. Pickham, Hartwell D. Collins, Ruth S. Murray, and Joseph Haines. Should any of them be unable to attend, Joseph E. Briggs, Alice M. Maxfield, Abney Alexander, and Phebe S. Hydeholt were proposed as alternates. Which after consideration were approved in concurrence with men Friends.

The same committee presented the names of two Friends to attend the opening of the new Yearly Meeting at Wilmington Ohio, viz; David L. Douglas and Phebe S. Hydeholt, which were also approved in concurrence.

The committee appointed to consider a plan for establishing a closer connection between the Society and its Bible Schools have presented a report, which has been accepted in concurrence with men Friends.

The committee appointed to consider a plan for establishing a closer connection between the Society and its Bible School work report as follows;—

We recommend that the Yearly Meeting request of each Quarterly Meeting that it shall at its first session after this Yearly Meeting, appoint a Quarterly Meeting Sabbath School, or Bible School, committee, until next Yearly Meeting, whose supervision of the Bible School work within the Quarterly Meeting is in connection with the Yearly Meeting's Sabbath School and Bible School Committee.

Also that the Quarterly Meetings shall each year hereafter, at their last session before the Yearly Meeting, appoint

their Bible School Superintendents for the ensuing year, whose term of service shall begin and end with that of the Yearly Meeting's Superintendent.

That the Yearly Meeting request all Bible Schools within its limits to report regularly, once in three months to their respective Quarterly Meeting Superintendents.

Respectfully submitted,
Harriette D Collins.
Anna J. Goddard.
George L. Cossman.

The Clerk was directed to forward the conclusions on this subject to the Yearly & the several Quarterly Meetings, with the additional recommendation that the Monthly Meetings be requested to co-operate with the Quarterly Meeting Superintendents & Bible School work.

Adjourned to meet in separate session at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Afternoon. — Met at 3 o'clock, according to adjournment. The Representatives being called, forty eight were in attendance. Epistles to our dear Sisters of the Yearly Meetings of London, Dublin, Baltimore, North Carolina, Canada, Indiana, and Kansas were read and accepted. A joint Epistle to our friends of New York and Ohio Yearly Meetings has been read and approved, and the Clerk is directed to sign all the above and forward them to the respective meetings.

The Representatives from our Quarterly Meetings to whom were referred various subjects for consideration have presented a report which was read, and we are united in accepting the various conclusions

[illegible] in concurrence with their Friends.

The Representatives now in attendance of this meeting made the following report, viz:—

To the Yearly Meeting: We have considered the various matters submitted to us, and now report as follows, viz:—

1st. We recommend to Trustees, with full power to act for the Yearly Meeting in prosecuting the alleged defective title to the land formerly owned by the Yearly Meeting in Providence R.I. Augustine Jones and Robert P. Gifford.

2d. We have made a new apportionment of the amount to be raised for the use of the Yearly Meeting as follows, viz:—

Rhode Island	Yearly Meeting	22	per cent
Salem	" "	18	per cent
Sandwich	" "	20	"
Falmouth	" "	8 1/2	"
Smithfield	" "	6	"
Vassalboro	" "	5 1/2	"
Dover	" "	6	"
Fairfield	" "	12	"
Parsonsfield	" "	2	"

3d. We recommend that no change be made in the fifth query nor in the second unanswered query.

4th. We recommend that no change be made in the manner of the Representative Meeting.

5th. We recommend that a committee be appointed by the Yearly Meeting, to consider and report next year the expediency of altering the discipline so as to aid our Monthly Meetings in their action respecting removals from their limits.

6th — The nominate for correspondents of the Yearly Meeting, Samuel Hilton, Isaiah Stone, Eli Kenworthy Bailey, Thomas Hoag, &c.

7th — The nominate for Trustees of the Representative Meeting, the following named Friends (whose names will appear later in the Minutes).

For the Representative
Moses Dawes, Clerk.

Sandy Spring, 11th month 11th, 1892.

In relation to the first proposition in the Report of the Representative Meeting is united in abbreviating Benjamin Hallowell and Nicholas P. Sheffield as Trustees.

In the second proposition the Meeting approves of the apportionment to the several Quarterly Meetings.

The third proposition was approved, to make no change in the fifth query, nor in the second unanswered query.

The seventh recommendation was united with to make no change in the name of the Representative Meeting.

The fifth recommendation in relation to changes in the Discipline was not approved by the Meeting.

In the sixth the Meeting approved the nominees proposed for Correspondents of the Yearly Meeting.

In the seventh the nomination of Friends to constitute the Representative Meeting was approved, and they were obtained to that service. Their names will appear hereafter.

In closing the business of our Yearly Meeting, which like the visit and official unions we have been favored to enjoy, and to which our minds fervently and sincerely desire to be devoted, now having met the approval of the Meeting, the Clerk is directed

[illegible]

A [illegible] Committee appointed last year to
[illegible] to [illegible] Yearly Meeting, to [illegible] Quarterly
Meetings, and the usual Epistles.

A Committee appointed last year to
be varied & [illegible] and Three Quarterly
Meetings, had certain Changes which should be
made in our Discipline, have prepared
the following Report, which is accepted and
the Changes proposed are adopted by this
Meeting.

To the Yearly Meeting:

1st. The Queries and Advices proposed by
this Meeting last year, have received the
Reading and Consideration of the several Mee-
tings and [illegible] the Queries and Advices
[illegible] Book of Discipline, page 107, Edition
1859; instead of the paragraph beginning
"It is the concern" and ending "Christian
fellowship" may be established, viz: It is
hereby directed that in the respective Meetings
be read in the several Meetings preceding
the Quarterly Meetings which occur before
the Yearly Meeting, and distinct answers
be given in said Meetings to all the queries;
and those answers be forwarded to their
respective Monthly Meetings, where the
queries are also to be read with the answers
aforesaid; and each Monthly Meeting shall
forward a summary of these answers to the
Quarterly Meetings where the queries are to be
again read, and the answers thereto which
come from the Monthly Meetings; and a
summary of those forwarded by the Quarterly
Meeting to the Yearly Meeting to be read
there, and a summary of those Reports
entered in the Yearly Meeting Records.
It is also directed that at all other
Quarterly Meetings and Monthly and
Preparative Meetings which precede
each Quarterly Meeting these queries
be read together with those called "unan-
swered queries" on page 108, Edition 1859,

and [illegible] proposed [illegible]
[illegible] Quarterly Meeting [illegible]
2d. In relation to the position from Dover
Quarterly Meeting page [illegible] 1828 last year
[illegible] proposed [illegible] that the following paragraph
be inserted in Rule [illegible] of Discipline on page 61,
Edition 1885, succeeding the paragraph [illegible]
"Delinquencies" viz. "When a Monthly Meeting
[illegible] informed [illegible] information
that any of its members have joined another
religious Society or denomination the names
of such members may be [illegible] from
our records and they released from
membership with the advisement
of a committee, except as the Monthly
Meeting may direct its clerk or a
committee to kindly inform the persons
so released of the record made on their
account, and to express to them our
Christian interest and love.

By direction of the Committee
Robert P. Gifford, Clerk.

Newport R.I. Mo. 11th 1892

It appeared from Rhode Island Quarterly
Meeting of Ministry and Oversight in
relation to a similar subject and which
was referred to the Yearly Meeting, has been
considered, leaving the [illegible] of men
Friends.

The accounts from Rhode Island Quarterly
Meeting of Ministry and Oversight and
that they are entitled in asking that a change
in number 2 that the second paragraph
in Italics near the bottom of page 116 of
the Book of Discipline shall read as follows:

The other three are to be appointed in
writing at the Quarterly Meetings on
Ministry and Oversight next preceding
the Yearly Meeting, that the Yearly
Meeting on Ministry and Oversight
may receive a summary of the

Business from each of the Quarterly Meetings."
This Meeting unites in forwarding this Matter to the Yearly Meeting.

Rufus M. Jones
Clerk.

It was with the minute meeting in the absence of our friends, Timothy B. Hussey, Alfred H. Jones, and William D. Crowell, to present to the President and Congress the petitions which have been agreed to by this Yearly Meeting.

The proposed changes in Sandwich Quarter, in regard to the time of holding some of its Meetings have been adopted.

"It is proposed that the Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich on the second fifth day in the tenth Month instead of on the first fifth day as at present.

"It is further proposed that the Quarterly Meeting of New Bedford be held on the second fifth day of the first Month, instead of on the first fifth day of the fourth Month, and that the ensuing Quarterly Meeting of New Bedford be held on the second fifth day of Tenth Month, instead of on the first fifth day, as now held; the hour to remain the same, 11.30 o'clock A.M."
And the Clerk is directed to inform said Meeting of this conclusion.

The Meeting on Ministry and Oversight has presented a summary of their answers to the queries, together with a minute, embracing the substance of the exercise of that Meeting, which has been read and approved. The Statistics of that Meeting have also been presented.

Summary of answers to the Queries of the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

To the Yearly Meeting:

First.— That we endeavour to be diligent in attending our meetings for worship and discipline. Careful to promote the attendance of our families.

Second.— That we generally live in unity one with another, and with the meetings to which we belong, harmoniously laboring together in gathering souls to Christ.

Third.— That we be engaged frequently in reading the Holy Scriptures, prayerfully seeking to right understanding of their contents under the enlightening influence of the Holy Spirit; that we be careful not to misquote or misapply them.

Minute from the Yearly Meeting of Ministry and Oversight.

Feeling it to have been our servant to be together "in the unity of the Spirit" a deep concern for the welfare of Zion has been prevailing, and our desire for the blessing of Christ the Father was invoked for the salvation of souls and for the establishing of His kingdom. "We are nothing, Christ is all."

"According to your faith be it unto you." As the heart is the seat of the saving of grace and the building up of believers has testified to by witnesses, will it to give us the grace that bless Him for the privilege of having this joy that begins in Heaven "grow the sinner that believeth" and we believe He is answering the fervent prayers of His Church for a revival of His work among us. The enemy is still has no place among us, but we are laboring in Christian love and forbearance in gathering unto Christ.

With a full recognition of the presence and influence of Christ in the midst of His Church, we believe we shall be able to declare "the unsearchable riches of Christ"

[illegible] "the very God of peace to sanctify us wholly."

Earnest is the work for us, it can only be secured duly by abiding in Him.

As we open our hearts to the Great Searcher of hearts, we find Him pouring out readily His abundance of wisdom, grace and strength, and bringing us into those experiences which increase our power to preach the everlasting gospel.

In much tenderness we were reminded that our Lord and Master wants us to do the best we can under the circumstances in which we are placed, that there are duties of daily life, the exercise of which the Lord expects us daily to need, and "clothed with His righteousness" and "filled with all the fulness of God" we are to go forth teaching all nations, "baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost" comforted by the promise, "Lo I am with you alway even unto the end of the world."

Faithfulness in the Lord's service will bring comfort, joy, and peace in all our subordinate meetings.

We are forcibly reminded that a great obligation rests upon our Society for the legacy which has come to us, an inheritance from those who won it through faith and sacrifice, and while it is our primary aim to win souls for Christ, it is of great importance that our special testimony in the world be clearly held in view that we maintain our testimony for spiritual worship, and against formalism and ordinances, against vain and empty

The following constitutes the Meeting on Visibly and Overseers:—

	Ministers	Elders	Associate Members	Total
R. I. Quarterly Meeting	21	34	25	80
Salem " "	13	34	21	68
Scituate " "	14	16	21	51
Falmouth " "	20	24	4	48
Smithfield " "	10	25	13	48
Vassalboro " "	15	39	0	54
Dover " "	7	27	13	47
Fairfield " "	9	33	26	68
Parsonsfield " "	6	10	18	34
Total	115	242	171	528

To the Yearly Meeting:

This Meeting unites in concluding that our session of this Meeting will soon be devoted to considering the subject of the Pastoral Question.

Rufus M. Jones, Clerk.

We unite with the Yearly Meeting in the appointment of the Friends proposed to constitute a committee to care for the interests of the Freedmen of the South.

We also unite in accepting the names of Mary Peaslee and Edward C. Jones, as additional to the Committee on Temperance.

A Memorial to be presented to the Government, in respect to "the sale of intoxicating liquors in Alaska, and its sad consequences," was united with by this and the men's Meeting.

To Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States, and to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled.

Our attention has been called to the proposed bill to license the sale of intoxicating liquors in Alaska.

We the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, assembled at Newport, R. I. representing more than four thousand three hundred members, respectfully protest against that proposed Bill, and petition

that law may be sufficient legislative action
taken and such officers appointed that the
present law may be faithfully enforced.

We desire to call attention to the fact
that one of the ministers of this religious
Society has been murdered and another
outrageously treated, while endeavoring to
see the law enforced, and these deeds
of barbarism [illegible] so far as we have learned
received no notice from those in authority.

The following named friends have been
appointed to present the memorials and
petition to the President of the United States,
Senate and house of Representatives, viz,
Timothy B. Hussey and Alfred C. Jones,
and William W. Newhall as alternate.

The responsibility resting upon
us as members, in regard to the subject
of social purity, was earnestly spoken of.
It was the decision of the Meeting that
the times called loudly for greater effort
in that direction. A committee was accord-
ingly appointed of one from each Quarterly
Meeting, who if way shall open, shall carry
on this work during the coming year, and
present to our next Yearly Meeting a plan
of action for the future. The committee is
as follows; Phebe S. Aydelott, Elizabeth T.
Satterthwait, Ruth S. Murray, S. Jane Cox, Salome
C. Rhoades, Abby Jenkins, Emeline H. Tuttle,
Martha B. Osborne, and Melissa J. Dearborn.

We invite with our friends of Iowa Yearly
Meeting in the establishment of a Yearly
Meeting in Oregon. The subject of appoint-
ing Delegates to attend the opening of
that Meeting, and of preparing a suitable
minute, was referred to the Representative
Meeting for their action.

The Joint Committee on returning Minutes have prepared suitable certificates for all the male Friends in attendance who presented their credentials to this Meeting, for our beloved Friend George Crabb from Ireland, Seneca H. Hoggins, Joseph E. Eastlund, Thomas Neals, Edward G. Hall, David E. Jamison, John Carey, William E. Johnson, Isaac T. Hanson, Elias Hanson, Hiram L. Hanson, and George A. Mackey.

Minutes have also been prepared for Clark M. Jones, Esther P. Cook, Emma Jamison, and Lindley M. Carey. All of which have been approved by the Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to sign them on our behalf.

The Committee on Business who served this Meeting last year are re-appointed to that service, viz; Mary A. Hoge, Sarah J. Swift, Rebecca S. Bailey, and Susan Cockburn.

The Clerk is authorized to procure the usual amount of printing for this Meeting, and call on the Treasurer for the expense incurred.

The thanks of the Meeting were given to the Committee on Entertainment for their faithful and earnest efforts for the comfort of the Friends assembled at the Yearly Meeting.

Much harmony and unity have marked the deliberations of this meeting and we unite in heartfelt thankfulness for the rich blessings which have been vouchsafed to us at this time.

We conclude, proposing to meet at the usual time next year at Lynn, if the Lord permit.

Clerk.

Clerk.

Epistles.

From New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held in Newport, R.I. from the 7th of Sixth Month to the 15th of the same (inclusive) 1892.

To the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends, soon to be held in London.

Dear Sisters,

We have assembled this year in this beautiful island, so full of historic interest, the refuge in early days of those who sought liberty of conscience and freedom of thought. We are surrounded by wonderful traces of the creative power of our Heavenly Father, and from our hearts comes the ascription,

"These are thy glorious works, Parent of good, Almighty. Thine this universal frame, so wondrous fair."

We are however sensible that neither the long line of hallowed associations, nor the worship of God in creation is enough for us today. But that from each one of us is required that earnest dedication of heart and life, which will enable us to fulfil all the Lord's will concerning us.

An earnest prayerful spirit was spread over us as we met in Yearly Meeting, and living petitions ascended to the throne of grace, that a blessing might rest upon us. And He who said, "Before they call I will answer," has been graciously pleased to send "the answer of peace," and to preside in our assemblies.

It has been very pleasant this year to receive your loving greeting, which has come to us with such fragrance from your late gathering. We are thankful for this, and also tenderly salutate you, and desire

and the work of grace may ever be maintained among us.

Various Scriptural words of Christian work have passed in review before us, and we need not recount the voices of the Lord encouraging His servants. The wide spread mission fields of our own and Western countries, as well as on the hill sides of Judea, the various evils against which we are called to wage warfare, the Scripture schools, the study of the Bible, the inculcation of the Gospel of Peace; all these, and kindred subjects are occupying us as well as you, under the direction of our Guide. Surely we may say "We have no might against this great company that cometh against us, neither know we what to do, but our eyes are upon Thee."

What a comfort to remember that the work is the Lord's not ours, and the power to accomplish it is from Him.

As we ponder over the degraded position of women in heathen lands, our hearts are touched, and we long to lift her to a higher plane.

Let us remember that in Christian and Pagan is a danger, lest we fail to abide in the position we ought to occupy, from a false sense of modesty. In Christ Jesus there is neither male nor female, but His gifts are bestowed upon all His child[illegible] servants.

May we, each friends from any duty, but in public or in private, in the religious gatherings or in those connected with the Government of the land, prove faithful to our God, who had a purpose and a plan for every one of us.

We rejoice in the increase and strength of the Society for Christian Endeavor. Many of our younger friends have not been at the household of their loving Lord, and are gladly learning what will their Lord have me to do.

[illegible] desired to be loyal to our own [illegible] militant church, and to strengthen the hands of their elder sisters in that work and service of the Lord.
As we are all united to Christ our living Head, we shall be united one to the other, and thus going on as a (solid) phalanx, be enabled to gain substantial victories over evil.
With the (salutation) of love we remain your sisters.
Signed on behalf of the Meeting.

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To Dublin Yearly Meeting of Women Friends.
Dear Sisters,
From our beautiful Switzerland, we send to you, across the great waters our loving greeting.
Your (Island) home seems especially near to us at this time by the presence of one of your faithful ministers. His messages of love and words of cheer have been (inspiring) and encouraging to us. It is our prayer that you may be as blest in the giving as we are in the receiving this chosen servant of the Lord.
The dear All Father who through the ages has crowned the assemblies of his people with his presence has given us renewed evidence of his love and care in that he has turned this way the feet of his messenger. They have come to us not only from your land but from the far west and the sunny (Pacific) of our own country.
We are deeply grateful for a brief visit from one of the missionaries to the (Western Indians). We bless God that the Gospel of peace has the same elevating, refining and purifying influence for the heart as our (dear) white race. And

At the welcome home has a new and precious
who come with joy at each annual
gathering, and hearts leap at the old
glad song, "Bless the Lord and forget not all his benefits."
The preached word has been in the demonstration
of the Spirit and of power. Sinners have been
faithfully warned, careless hearts have been
convicted, believers in Christ, have been
strengthened and built up in the most holy
faith. All have been exhorted to build on
nothing less than Jesus and his righteousness.
We have been urged to consecrate heart
and life, that we may bring the religion
of Jesus Christ into our every day employments.
"Whether we eat or drink or whatsoever
we do, do all to the glory of God."
Brothers and Sisters I have been fervently
called upon to place themselves under the
purifying power of the Lord, that they may
be fitted for his service, and be ready
to labor any where at home, in the
church, or in the world.
Encouraging reports have come from our
various fields of church work. Each
work in our own borders has been greatly
blessed. Our hearts have been humbled
in view of the whitened fields while the
laborers are so few.
An unusual interest has been manifest-
ed through the whole year in our
for Bible study. To God
we acknowledge the good work done
by our Band of Workers in this department
and in the Society for Christian Endeavor.
Never before has New England Methodism
stood the old Bible ground working
so steadily side by side as during the
past year. "This is the Lord's doing, it
is marvellous in our eyes."
The church from its Thursday meeting
at Pleasant Lake has called out

manifest sympathy and practical interest.
To this oldest of our love we have given
of our dearest and best, and have
realized the blessed promise, "He that
watereth shall be watered himself."

Our interest in the subjects of Peace
and temperance has broadened and
deepened. As we behold the strength
and stability of our enemies we are
urged to put forth our might, what
our hands find to do, remembering
that the battle is not ours but God's.

Now unto Him that is able
to keep you from falling and to present
you faultless before the presence
of His glory with exceeding joy, to
the only wise God our Saviour, be
glory and majesty, dominion and
power, both now and ever. Amen.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
Anna G.

Joint Epistle to New York Yearly Meeting.

Dear Friends,

As we came together in our
Meeting we have made sensible of the
Divine presence and that with us in
all our work in the past year we have
had the Lord's blessing.

Our reports on educational interests
are unusually encouraging both as to
intellectual and spiritual progress.
The work in the hands of our young
people is developing great strength for
the Church.

Such interest is manifested among us
in our Bible school work, upon which
our future as a people so much depends
Greater results have attended
the labors of our Gospel Committee than

last year, the removal of dear Sister ... to Brooklyn, N.Y. has deprived us of her ... have labored faithfully in the Lord and to the Church.

The suffering condition of the colored people at the South has been brought to our notice and we have prepared a memorial to the President and Congress of the United States asking that the outrages against them be prevented, and also asking that the Constitution prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in Alaska be enforced.

Our Home and Foreign Mission work has prospered, and while we have helped others we have been blessed ourselves, and those who have gone forth to teach the Nations have realized the sweetness of the Master's promise, "Lo, I am with you alway." The pressing need for increased accommodations at Ramallah has been brought before us, and Friends are contributing liberally for the enlargement of the Girls' Training Home.

In the cause of Peace and Total Abstinence we realize that we cannot relax our efforts.

We have at this time the acceptable company of our Friends Harry K. Reeds (Seneca Falls) Stevens and Edwards of Ford from your County, Central.

(Closed by a letter with those received from other County Meetings received the precious sense that our cause is one, and that the bonds which unites our hearts together is the love of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
Anna E. Wood
Clerk

A copy of the foregoing Epistle was read in Philada Yearly Meeting, unveiling the Epistle to the Friends in attendance from New York Yearly Meeting.

To Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Friends.

Dear Friends.

We greet you lovingly in the name of our common Lord, praying that his blessing may rest upon you in all your labors for his cause. (The earnest words in your Epistle in regard to the right education of children touched other hearts, and called forth much salutary advice as to the necessity of guarding the young during their whole life from hurtful associations and influences. Much stress was laid upon the importance of carefully inspecting the reading matter which may find its way into their hands, since in the present day snares are sometimes concealed in apparently harmless publications, daily by careful watchfulness can parents discharge their duty towards their children and keep their minds pure and innocent.

Our duties however are not bounded by the home circle, but others besides our own families are sharers in our loving interest. Our mission at Pendleton affords us encouraging reports of the progress of the children in their religious Home and of the increasing appreciation of our work in that region. We hope soon to enlarge our building so that we can receive more of those little ones who do desire and need our care and training.

Our home mission work has made progress during the past year and our interest has been aroused by the accounts we have received of many

islands on the coast of China which seem as
utterly destitute of Christian influences as the
lands. Both home and foreign missions
lie very near our hearts, & we feel sure
that there will be shown a decided advance the
coming year.

We rejoice to learn that you are taking
a deep interest in the important questions
of Temperance and Peace, and are giving
your aid in the mighty task of overthrowing
the twin evils of War and Intemperance.
War has slain its thousands but Intemperance
its tens thousands, and we hope the day will
not come when the nations shall profane
Heaven any more, nor give themselves
up as slaves to strong drink.

But while our sympathies are deeply
enlisted in behalf of the sufferers from the
"wrong and outrage" with which earth is
filled, let us not forget, dear sisters and
brethren individually, that we must each work
in our own place as it is pointed out by
our Master. "As the branch cannot bear
fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine,"
no more can we except we abide in Him.
What others are called to do, can be no
rule for us. Our Lord says to each of us as
to Peter, "What is that to thee? follow thou
me." And only by following Him in the
required path, can we accomplish any
thing for His service. It may seem that
we are greatly needed in some special place
but if this is just our appointed work, all our
efforts will not advance His cause. But if we
are ready to follow our Master's leadings, the
Lord of the harvest will send us as
laborers into that part of the field which
seemeth good unto Him, and we shall
come again rejoicing bearing our sheaves
with us.

Love among the sisters of God, which passeth
all understanding, fill your hearts

and minds through Christ Jesus.
Signed by direction of the Meeting.
Anna G. Hoag

To Indiana Yearly Meeting of Women Friends.

Dear Sisters in Christ,

Again our dear Heavenly Father has very graciously permitted us to meet together for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom in our loved branch of His Church and we feel deep gratitude that, while many were visited by the epidemic, the hand of death has laid on but a few of us.

We rejoice to hear of the work of the Lord around you by tidal and also by voice of some from home present among the many with us at this time of whom it may be said, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings that publisheth peace that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation, that saith unto Zion thy God reigneth!"

We are in full unity with you in desiring that we may closely follow our Blessed Saviour's example in the various ways of Christian service.

The subject of temperance as brought before us seems of immense importance when we consider the sanctity of the home and the security of the nation. We believe that our only hope lies in individual total abstinence and National Prohibition.

The present is not the time for us to lower our standard of peace, while a strong war influence for war is brought to bear upon children in public schools. It may be said of the cause of peace as well as of temperance that they will be eminently successful only when all the Christian

world shall act together.

Encouraging reports have also come from the committee on Bible Schools and Gospel Work.

We are realizing in our midst the influence of the young people who have become members of the Society of Christian Endeavor, not only in the increase of number and attendance at our meetings, but in active interest in the business of the Society. The Christian Endeavor movement is a grand omen for our Society.

With thanksgiving and praise to Him who holds in his hand the children, we count it a blessed privilege to labor, and to have so many laborers go from us to the mission field. The grand work is advancing and our interest increasing, so may it continue until the last fettered soul on missionary ground is found ready to receive a welcome home to be with Jesus evermore.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Anna E. Wood

Clerk.

To Iowa Yearly Meeting of Women Friends.

Dear Sisters;

In the gentleness and sweetness of Christian love we again address you, and acknowledge the receipt of your interesting epistle of last year. We very much enjoy the privilege of a correspondence, which, we believe, if kept right conducted, tends to our mutual strength and encouragement.

Assembled as we are, from different parts of New England, with sorrow also with the company of dear friends from Iowa and other Yearly Meetings, our hearts are filled with gratitude to the Giver of all our blessings, and it is our fondest desire to be found before Him in a humble reverential state

[illegible] Head
of His Church [illegible] Cause
[illegible] Service. And abiding
with Him, may you and we, dear
Sister, be instruments in His hand for
the advancement of His precious cause
of truth and righteousness in the earth.

Believing that the mission of the
Society of Friends has been largely for
the promulgation of those Gospel truths,
which have been and still are generally
overlooked or disregarded by other religious
Bodies, we feel there is a duty incumbent
upon all our members to be very faithful
in the work whereunto we are called.

While many in different branches of
the Christian Church are becoming convinc-
ed of the reality of Christ's spiritual presence
with His children, and the blessedness
of His spiritual leading and teaching, and
[illegible] of the bondage
imposed by human arrangements for
Christian Service, by creeds and ritualistic
observances, we believe the present time
calls loudly upon us for the firm and
clear [illegible] of the Spirituality
of the Gospel dispensation, "the liberty
wherewith Christ maketh His children
free," and the priesthood of all who
believe in Christ that so there may more
fully, in the Lord's hand, of sincere
enquirers after the Truth. It is our
earnest desire, that [illegible] our profession,
our [illegible] may be found a certain
Sound, that there may be no wavering
or discordance in our testimony, but
that loyal to our Heavenly Leader, we
may all be working towards the same
glorious end, the building up of our
dear Redeemer's Kingdom.

The [illegible] which come to us from our
Mission in Syria, and from our Schools

for the freedmen and Indians are very encouraging. The Institution at Hampton, Va. seems to be doing excellent work in educating its students to go and labor among their own people; and we find the Indian tribes are yielding more and more to Christian influences, and petitioning to obtain the privileges and advantages of good citizenship.

We believe that the subject of peace and the settlement of international differences by Christian methods, is increasingly claiming the attention of different governments, and the questions in dispute, which have recently been adjusted by arbitration, give reason to hope that the time is near at hand when "nation shall not lift up sword against nation, or the people learn war any more." We believe that the careful instruction of our youth upon this subject, will have a great importance in creating and strengthening a correct public opinion, and we invite parents and teachers to aid in their responsibility in this direction, avoiding as far as possible, whatever may obscure the unchristian character of war, and throw a glamour around the soldier's life.

Many communications concerning the welfare of the Church and its prospects for good in the world, have been considered during the sessions of this Yearly Meeting, and our Divine Master has given us the evidence of his presence, encouraging and consoling. The hearts of many have been blessed by the presence of many young people whose lively interest in the various subjects that have claimed our attention, has been very encouraging. May this class with whom we have mingled (taught in the school of Christ, and led under his discipline and direction,

spirit for the years and more the fruits of his spirit to his honor and praise
& fill the places of the present standard bearers in their work in the Lord's vineyard is ours, and they have passed on to their reward
With a prayerful desire that all the deliberations of this annual assembly may be guided and blessed by him, who is Head over all to his Church, we remain
Affectionately your friends
Signed on behalf of the Meeting

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends.

Dear Sisters,

Your epistle, and similar ones from other Yearly Meetings have been read in our meeting, and our hearts have praised the Lord for these annual messages expressive of our fellowship in Christ Jesus and of our essential oneness in belief and practice, as coordinate branches of One organization which is pleased God to bring forth from the formalism of earlier times, into a living faith in Christ and a blessed personal knowledge of the Father and the Son.

Your zeal, steadfastness and efficiency in your various fields of christian effort, continue to elicit our warm approval, and call forth our gratitude to Him who thus calls you into his blessed service, and prepares the way before you.

Our meeting this year is one of more than usual interest. The prosperity and growth of our Mission work in Ramallah and among the Indians, the report of our Gospel Committee, the encouraging condition of our educational institutions, the unusual interest in our Bible School work the past year, attest and ratify the devotion of a large

[illegible] labours of the Missionary [illegible]
the pastor in their absence.

We have visited this town once since the Missionaries from the Indian Territory were here, & encouraging words from the field. We feel much interested in the evangelization & christianization of this people, who were formerly so fully capable of receiving the Truth as it is in Jesus.

Our Kaw Mission field has been abundantly watered by the Great Husbandman and is bearing precious fruit to His glory. We are thankful that the work there is again being blessed with the efficient labors of our own dear sister Mitchell & Leighton, who has recently returned to that needed work. Education and Christianity hand in hand, will lift the heathen, and place him on a plane which God intended he should occupy. May the numbers who are willing to go forth into those fields of heathen darkness greatly increase, and the means to send them rapidly multiply. That the multitudes who are now there in their way may be led to the Gospel, and become shining lights in the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We have visited and preached the Lord's word in the Missionary [illegible] Meetings, whose messages of love have been full of comfort and instruction.

The large attendance of young people at our meetings, and their effective work during the past year has been highly encouraging, and we see bright possibilities for them, and as they are faithful can added strength to the Church. May the Lord's blessing richly rest upon the christian efforts of our young people in all of our [illegible]

and [illegible] sisters, [illegible] all be incited to greater faithfulness in the performance of our various ministries, and whatever difficulties or discouragements may [illegible]

words of our dear Saviour. "What is that to thee? Follow thou me." Let us keep an eye single to the Master and be guided by His word and Spirit and victory will be given. In bonds of Christian love we are your sisters.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Anna G. Hoag

Clerk.

To Kansas Yearly Meeting of Friends.

Dear Sisters;

Your loving greeting has come to us this year and we have been strengthened and cheered by the evidence contained therein that the Lord's cause was prospering among you. In these days when the armies of evil seem gathering their forces together it is especially needful that the followers of the Lord Jesus should not be of "divided heart" but "keep rank" and be ready prepared for the war.

We have been reminded of the foundation requisite for "holding the good fight of faith", that we must first obtain, acknowledge our Commander and promise to obey Him, receive the needful training and "put on His armor, and know He will give us" a banner to be displayed because of the truth", and lead us on, until not only the enemies of our own territories are subdued but the aggressive war will be carried into the camp of our foes.

It is useless, when our own heart and strength would utterly fail, it is blessed to remember that the "Captain of the host of the Lord" himself leads his people, and like Joshua, we have but to bow down before Him and say "What saith my Lord unto His servant?" and then if faithful we may like Joshua go on without doubt "from victory to victory."

Glory in being hid in Christ in the midst of conflict for Christ, and when once the precious

heard it spoken that the Lord's hand is shortened whatever the circumstances may be we can prayerfully "Leave it all with Jesus, and what may and say from the very depths of our hearts, "He will be done," because we trust His love and wisdom.

While many of us have learned these blessed possibilities we feel earnestly desirous that others should know them also.

Our Committee on Gospel work has brought in an account of earnest and successful labor within our own limits, and our Foreign Mission Committee has been able to tell of souls gathered to Jesus and made watchful stones, made better and brighter by His presence in the Bible lands. Our Boarding Schools send most encouraging reports of young, trained and devoted hearts, who are going out into the world with good courage and trusting faith, while the Society for Christian Endeavor gathers together and organizes work for Christ among our younger members.

We rejoice in the many testimonies given by old and young and the frequent word and prayer offered in our services. While it is true that "we must first live with Christ before we can tell about Him," His own word is also true, "He that abideth in me --- bringeth forth much fruit."

May a bountiful harvest be the result of your work for Jesus, whether within your own boundaries, in Alaska, or in any other fields that the Lord may intrust to you to till, and may your own souls be refreshed with "showers of blessing" while you seek to water others.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

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Clerk.

To Canada Yearly Meeting of Women Friends.

Dear Sisters,

Grace be multiplied unto you and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ. We thank the Lord on your behalf as we hear of your labors of love, your faith and patience.

Assembled as we are in our Annual Meeting, our thoughts turn to you who are also soon to be gathered in like manner. Our dear Master's faithfulness has ever been cause for gratitude as to all of us, He has manifested His Divine presence with us in such a marked degree. His banner over us has been Love, and of this He has given us a blessed evidence in the precious lessons of instruction, words of sympathy and cheer and kind admonitions by His commissioned messengers, not only from various parts of our own land, but from across the wide ocean.

The ministry of women has been a subject of concern, and we have been admonished, as a band of sisters, to cultivate the various gifts entrusted to us, and as we wait on that of ministry, our Master will lead us forth in this field of service as He did many in former times who are now wearing the crown promised to His faithful ones.

We have encouraging reports from the various lines of work which have claimed our attention during the past year, and the conviction abides with us, that as we go forth with "Holiness unto the Lord" inscribed upon our banners, "Victory in His name," will be the glad Shout from our ranks. — "Without me ye can do nothing" has been realized by us and while the promise is ever-unfolding — "Your labor is not in vain in the Lord" we should be sure that we are obeying His commands and following the leadings of His blessed Spirit.

Mothers have been especially enjoined to earnest watchfulness in the care of their children. Great watchfulness should be exercised, over what they read as these poisonous things come in innocent guise to steal their unsuspecting and fascinate their young minds. (The mind of woman should equally with the daughters receive the mother's care, and she should seek for Gods confidence so fully that, through the blessing of God, she may be able to stand alone in the same purity of life they admire in their sisters.

It is a blessed thought that whether rich or poor, learned or unlearned, gifted or fearful, the same access of love & power is open to all, cleansing, purifying, and fitting us to be living stones in his temple.

"And now unto Him who is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy. To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever Forever."

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
Anna G. Wood
Clerk.

To Friends in Ramallah

Newport, R.I. 25th Month 1892

Beloved Friends,

It is with mingled feelings of wonder and thanksgiving that we have read your extremely interesting epistle of this our annual assembly. Surely "the people that walked in darkness have seen a great light," and the marvellous effect of that illumination has filled the hearts with adoring love for Him "who has done" more than we could ask or think." The child whom we have nurtured with our fostering care, to whom our hearts have gone out with unutterable love, for whom our prayers have arisen unceasing

in the Name of God, into us have humbly
trusted, might come time in the future
look around upon Him the King who was rejected
there, raised suddenly before us, no longer
a child but a risen Saviour, beloved,
gladdening our hearts with wise and
cheering words; already standing as a "light
unto the Gentiles," and illuminating the
hills of Palestine with the reflection of a
Saviour's love. Truly the Lord hath done
wonderful things for this child of our
prayers whereof we are glad.

We have been greatly interested in the
account you have given us of your progress,
and of the added strength which your visit
experienced from your Monthly Meetings.
May you go from strength to strength and
increasingly realize the wisdom of our fathers
in building up our church organization.

We rejoice with you in the return
of your "Mission Sister," dear Huldah Lighton
Ohio, many of us can testify how we were
in her heart, and her prayers while at
home, and looked forward joyfully to her
return to the work in which she with
you all, has been so greatly blessed.

Our annual Meeting has been at
this time a season of great refreshment
to many souls. We have had the cheering
presence of several of the Lord's workers from
various parts of his vineyard, whose loving
words of counsel and encouragement
will long be remembered by us, and we
trust will bring forth precious fruit.

The reports from our various missions
have been a striking and interesting feature
in our gatherings. We have all told of faithful
and hard labor on the part of our Missionaries,
while every where the field is widening before
them. May equal faithfulness be found
among us in upholding their hands, with
the pecuniary aid, upon which their

success must be largely depend.

We have been blessed by the presence of a lovely little Syrian girl only twelve years old, who has been less than a year in this country, but who in that short time has learned to speak English with singular beauty and correctness. Her bright, quick intelligence, and the touching melody of her Arabic hymns, have won all hearts, and have made her a powerful advocate for your cause, by showing us more clearly than ever the importance of delivering her people from the discouraging influences of their position.

The condition of our own native Indians has also been brought very feelingly before us. These wild children of the forest who have for so long been indeed in darkness of civilization, Ware, Sabbath, hearts that have responded quickly to the touch of kindness, have shown readily to receive a loving Saviour, and are showing in their lives the transforming influences of his abiding presence.

Now pray "The God of all grace who hath called us into his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Letter to the Young People of New England's Yearly Meeting.

Dear Young Friends,

Some one has very truly said that "the young people are the hope of the church in every age." Rejoicing in this thought, we feel that New England Yearly Meeting has great cause for encouragement, not only for the present time, but for the future also. We are so glad our Father in Heaven put it into your hearts to organize the Young

Young Women's Society of Christian Endeavor," for in this manual there is much connected with it, and also many fields of service opening before you.

As we think of the way in which many of you have been led during the last few years, how you have been established, strengthened and settled in "the truth as it is in Jesus," we can only exclaim, "What hath God wrought!" Our loving advice to you is, "Walk steadily on," not resting therein, but from year to year to be faithful to the obligations assumed, ever bearing in mind the motto, "One is your Master, even Christ, and all ye are brethren." What a privilege it is that we are permitted to be co-workers with God in leading others unto Him, and unless we use this blessed privilege we shall disappoint and grieve our blessed Lord, who has said, "Ye are my witnesses." Let us ever remember this, and use every opportunity we have of telling "the old story of Jesus and His love."

"Should we not ask that thou shouldst tread
The way of life alone;
But that the clear and shining light which
Round thy footsteps shone,
Should guide some other weary feet to thy bright
Home of rest,
And thus in blessing those around, thou hadst
Thyself found blessed."

It is said that most of those who were instrumental in gathering and building up the Society of Friends were young people, some of them just out of their teens and of humble attainments, but in that strength which is made perfect in weakness, they became instruments of untold blessing to many souls. Dear young friends, you may not be led in just the same way that these devoted servants of the Lord were, more than two hundred and fifty years have intervened since they lived, and

us from different forms of sin and error to contact. But it requires the same consecration & purpose, the same surrender of all that we have and are, and the same power from on high to fit us for the work whereunto we are called.

As we write these words we are reminded that possibly they may reach the eyes of some of our young people who have not as yet wholly given themselves into the Saviour's care and keeping. To such as these we earnestly "pray you in Christ's stead," "Be ye reconciled to God." Do not think it hard to yield your own wills, and take that of another for the guidance of your lives. He has assured you that as you take that step you will find that you have made a most happy exchange, and will be able to exclaim, in the words of Madame Guion,

"Thy wonderful & sweet will, my God!
Still triumph, now & make it mine;
And love shall pay a joyous tear!
To every dear command of thine."

As your eyes rest a dear sister in Christ, upon taking her leave of a group of merry girls, turned & said aside, "My dear girl, there is one thing which I wish each one of you would promise me to do, that you will give those tongues of yours to the Lord, and let Him use them to His glory." Part of the number promised, and the Lord has richly blessed them since. Before that time they did not have the assurance they wanted that their names were written in the Lamb's Book of Life. Since then they have had that blessed assurance, and their prayer has been not take, but

"Keep my lips, that they may be
Filled with messages from thee."

Dear young reader, give your tongues to the Lord. Say it for yourself, and see how he will bless you!

He has promised the truest faces and living

companionship of those who in former years have been with us, but who now have finished their course, and have gone home to be with the Lord whom they loved.

We have also thought with much sympathy of our dear friends who are devoting their lives to the Master's service in distant parts of His vineyard. As both classes come before us, the message from them seems to be, "As we have endeavored to follow Christ, so follow us," and "Whatsoever He saith unto you do it."

In closing our letter, there are many pleasant things in life that we could wish for you, but we cannot know that they would be best for you. We therefore leave you in the loving hands of One who doeth all things well. One who never makes mistakes. So whether your path in life is strewn with flowers or sterile and hard to climb, if it is His will for you it is all right, and you will some time know the meaning of it all. We read some time ago, in an old book, this sentiment, "Nothing can really hurt you but sin." We pray now may be kept from sin.

"Now unto Him who is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy. To the only wise God and Saviour be glory and majesty, dominion and power, now and forever. Amen."

Anna E. Wood.

Newport 6 mo 1892

Clerk.

To the Children of Friends' Early Meeting.

Dear Children,

As we have looked about among the people who are attending the Yearly Meeting these beautiful summer days we have missed your faces.

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I trust it is that there is abundant grace found, that in everything we may be strong in God, and the strengthening of the Comforter or the Spirit is sufficient to shall be realized in this glorious Redeemer, "Jesus disappointments have God's appointments."

"Then fear the disappointments friend,
The gift from God's own hand,
Shall God's appointment seem less good
Than what thyself had planned?"

Dear aged one, Be sure this letter may come into your possession, no prospect of release from infirmities, be sure that you will from the redemptions of God's whole life will find that you will have a body made like to Christ's glorious body, when His saints "shall see His face, His name shall be written on their foreheads and His servants shall serve Him what a glorious prospect is yours! And the time will not be long, in the midst of the infirmities still bear up and remember the Lord hath said, "Even to old age I am He, and even to hoar hairs will I carry you, I have made and I will bear, even I will carry and I will deliver you." The Gentle Saviour Shepherd of whom it was said, He shall gather the lambs with His arm and carry them in His bosom promises also to carry the aged and the feeble ones. He knows all your needs. You can place your trembling hands in His and trust that

"He who hath led thee hitherto
Will lead thee all thy journey through."

Cast all your cares and burdens on Him, "for He careth for you." Are there not trials in your life? Has your dearest friend or one of those who should love and cherish and care for you, neglect, disrespect, and [illegible] of

consideration for your wishes and your comfort? Leave it all with Jesus. The time will not be long ere, if we are indeed among the number of "those that watched and were sober in the field of the Lord," you will leave all for His blessed, and be at home with the Lord. And may the past have a blessed service for you in this waiting time; a service of joyful patience in all your trials; a service of that life in the power of His love to others; and a service of prayer. "Prayer moves the arm that moves the world." Our own and your many be calling down blessings on the church and on the world. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest." "Pray for the laborers already in the field, that they may be endued with power from on high for the Master's work.

We are reminded that we may be sorely afflicted, and not perhaps with sickness. Some have enough ill work upon some of their good sheep, and they may have been taken from you; or some other trial may be. Sensible about your children. The Lord Jesus said, ("In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.") Tribulation is a part of His legacy to His disciples; but "If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him;" and "not alone in glory shall this be fulfilled, for even now shall we with Christ, who always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of His knowledge by us in every place;" or, as it is beautifully expressed in the language in which it was originally written, "God [illegible] to lead us

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Minutes

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Women Friends

1893

Minutes Of The Women's Meeting

At the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends for New England, held at Portland, Me., commencing Fifth Day, Fifth Month 4th, 1893.

By accounts received from our several Quarterly Meetings, we are informed that the following-named Friends have been appointed Representatives to this Meeting, viz.:—

From Rhode Island.—Phebe K. Tiffany, Phebe S. Hydelott, Sarah J. Hanson, Jenny Estes, Hannah P. Ladd, Cynthia J. Earle, Harriette B. Collins, Louisa N. Meader, Eunice A. Green, and Esther Chace.

From Salem.—Gertrude W. Cartland, Lydia C. Neal, Alice H. Mayfield, Susan H. Meader, Sarah D. Brown, Anna W. Page, Sarah A. Hill, Mary Amy Chase and Hannah E. Chase.

From Sandwich.—Rachel S. Howland, Anna G. Wood, Phebe B. Bloom, Ruth L. Smith, Jane G. Fisher, Mary E. Gifford, Rebecca D. Emery, Susan S. Tripp, Susan F. Hoyt, Susan T. Thompson, Susan B. Kirby, and Susan M. Seabury.

From Falmouth.—Sarah H. Newlin, Hagra E. Frye, Elizabeth A. Douglas, Lucy A. Swan, Miriam C. Weber, Ellen F. Pope, Phebe R. Cartland, Mary C. Holder, Eliza C. Farr, Mary A. Mayfield, Abbie J. Cook, and Lydia M. Pope.

From Smithfield.—Salome C. Wheeler, Mary A. Bailey, Abbie F. Randall, Sarah J. Wheeler, Abigail Wheeler, and Sarah J. Swift.

From Pascoag.—Mary R. Jones, Sarah E. Varney, Flavilla S. Rebels, Mary J. Gould, Peace Jones, Hannah S. Jenkins, and Eliza P. Peirce.

From Dover.—Lydia M. C. Tuttle, Emeline H. Tuttle, Anna M. Cussey, Almira B. Buffum, Huldah S. Buffum, and L. Helen Dennis.

From Fairfield — Phebe H. Hadsworth, Lizzie A. Church, Mary E. Winslow, Hannah J. Bailey, Lizzie M. Hawkes, Ida M. Knight, and Mary C. Hawkes.

From Farmington — Eunice D. Eastland, Julia A. Remick and Melissa S. Dearborn.

The names of the Representatives being called they were present — eight fifteen, for the absence of some of whom sufficient reasons were given.

The accounts forwarded to us from our several Quarterly Meetings have been read, and their contents noted. The various changes which have occurred within their limits, during the past year, will be presented in a Summary at a future sitting.

Epistles from our dear sisters of Dublin, Baltimore, North Carolina, Indiana, and Western Yearly Meeting have been read to our comfort and edification, and we have experienced a fresh revival of the sweet feeling of love and fellowship with our distant sisters, who are of like precious faith with us.

A Nominating Committee of one from each Quarterly Meeting was appointed to present the names of Friends to constitute a Committee on Correspondence, viz. — Sarah J. Hanson, Sarah A. Hill, Susan F. Hoyle, Mary B. Johnston, Sarah J. Wheeler, Etta S. Coles, Lydia M. C. Tuttle, Phebe H. Wadsworth and Julia A. Remick.

A certificate from Darlington Monthly Meeting, England, indorsed by Durham Quarterly Meeting, also two from the London Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight, issued at different times, all on behalf of our dear, aged friend, Isaac Sharp, who is now in attendance of this Meeting, have been read, and called forth much expression of sympathy and interest. The striking example he has presented us of the truth and faithfulness of God in the fulfilment of His promises, and His power to help and sustain in every service He requires of His children, have been sweet and helpful, and we have cordially welcomed his presence amongst us.

We have also at this time the acceptable company of our dear friends, Fernando S. Eastland, from

New York Yearly Meeting, Elwood C. Iliff from Western Yearly Meeting, Jesse H. Fitmore, from Kansas Yearly Meeting, and George A. Hartley, from Oregon, who have handed certificates from their respective Meetings, expressive of unity with them as ministers, and with their present religious engagements.

Our dear friend, L. Ella Hartley, an elder, companion to her husband, George A. Hartley, is also acceptably in attendance of this Meeting.

A certificate from Salem Quarterly Meeting, Oregon on behalf of Bertha E. Ramsey, who is engaged in obtaining aid for the benefit of one of their educational institutions, was read in this Meeting and accepted.

We have appointed our friends, Gertrude W. Eastland, Cynthia J. Earle, Lydia C. Neal, Almira B. Buffum, and Susan Peckham, to unite with a similar Committee from the men's Meeting, to be sure, as may open for it, Minutes for the Friends in attendance from other Yearly Meetings, who have presented their credentials at this time.

As we met at this our opening session, the voice of thanksgiving and praise was heard in our midst, and earnest exhortation was given that we should seek for such a right preparation of heart to enter upon the business of the Meeting, that all might be done to the glory of God.

We adjourned to meet in separate sessions at a quarter to four o'clock this afternoon.

Afternoon

Met in separate session according to adjournment. The Representatives to whom the subject of the nomination of clerks was referred report that they were united in proposing the names of Anna G. Hood, for clerk, and Deborah F. Allen and Alice W. Mayfield, for assistant clerks, whose names being separately considered, were united with, and they were appointed to those services for the ensuing year.

Anna F. Hall and Anna W. Page, were appointed to have the supervision of what may be prepared for the

Having attended to these matters, our Friends came in, and we entered upon business in joint session.

The Committee having charge of the Boarding School at Providence, R.I. presented their Annual Report, which was read, approved, and is as follows, viz.:

Report of Providence School Committee.

To The Yearly Meeting;

The Committee to whom was intrusted the care and interests of the Boarding School at Providence under the charge of the Yearly Meeting, in presenting the Seventy-fourth Annual Report of its proceedings, have gratefully to acknowledge that it has been a year of exceptional prosperity in various ways.

The health of the scholars and family has been remarkably good. The Principal in his communication to the Committee in its meeting in the Seventh Month stated, "The school has never since my being here seemed to be more earnest in its work, more pure, and the quality of students has never been so strong in moral character. I believe we gain each year in the recent years in this respect." And each subsequent report of the Principal has confirmed the impression thus early made. The Sub-Committee, in their regular reports from observation both in the class-rooms and in various other ways, have uniformly borne testimony to the excellence of the instruction given, and thoroughness of the work accomplished.

Their frequent attendance of the Meetings for Worship held at the school, both on First and Fourth days, enables them to testify to the evident interest manifested, and various exhibitions of a steady and healthy spiritual growth, so that we can with confidence assert, that at no time since our connection with the Institution, has the spiritual and intellectual standard of the school been upon a higher plane than at the present time.

The following Minute was placed upon our records at the meeting of the Committee in the Eleventh Month last, viz.:—

"We have to record that since our last meeting we

has sustained a great loss in the removal by death of Howard Chase, D.D., one of our number, who died Sept. 4th, 1892. Although his connection with this School as a member of the Committee was comparatively brief, yet his deep interest in the Institution had been of long standing, and his services were very much appreciated by us. The cause of education has sustained a very great loss by his death.

During the past year, a two-tenement "Teachers House" has been erected upon the premises, and occupied by two of the teachers and their families, promoting, as we believe, their comfort and convenience, and thus supplying a long-felt need.

The Committee at this time record their profound satisfaction on account of the removal of taxation from a large portion of the school property under the provisions of the following act, to wit:—

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

January Session, A.D. 1893

An Act in amendment of an act passed at the October Session, A.D. 1823, entitled "An Act to authorize and enable The Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England to receive, hold, manage, appropriate and dispose of property for charitable and benevolent and other purposes," and of the acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:—

Section 1. All of the real estate of the corporation created by act of the General Assembly passed at the October Session, A.D. 1823, under the name of the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England now owned or held in trust by it, except as is hereinafter provided, and all the personal property held, or that may be held by it, absolutely or in trust under or for the purposes of the said act of incorporation, shall hereinafter be exempt from taxation, so long as said real estate and personal property shall be owned and used by said corporation exclusively for educational purposes.

Provided however, that the following described parcels of land, situated in the city of Providence, as delineated upon that certain plat to be recorded, entitled

"Plat of Friends' School Estate surveyed and drawn by Wm. T. Haines, 1877," shall not be exempt from taxation under the provisions hereof, namely: First, a parcel of land bounded by Alumni Avenue, Moses Brown Avenue, Barnes Street, and Thayer Street. Second, a parcel of land bounded by Olney Street, Pennington Avenue, Alumni Avenue, and Thayer Street. Third, those certain lots of land numbered on said plat from forty-three to fifty two, both inclusive. Fourth, a parcel of land bounded by Alumni Avenue, Arlington Avenue, Lloyd Avenue, and Columbus Avenue. Fifth, a parcel of land on the easterly side of Arlington Avenue of about one and three quarters acres.

Second 2. This act shall take effect immediately upon its second passage.

This act was secured after more than seventy-five days of constant effort, and it exempts the personal property, the buildings and groves, play-grounds, orchards, and gardens, including more than twenty-six acres of land. In the accomplishment of this result we desire to express our appreciation of the services of the Principal Augustine Jones, whose experience in legislative and educational matters was invaluable, in the settlement of important questions involved, in thus restoring to this Institution the prospective freedom from taxation which it was entitled to under existing State laws previous to 1876. We recognize in the travel of this act through the Legislature the guidance and special providence of our Father in Heaven, and to Him, for this blessing and many others attending the Institution this year, we return our most heartfelt thanks.

Not vainly the gift of the founder was made;
Not prayerless the stones of its corners were laid;
The blessings of Him whom in secret they sought
Has owned the good work the fathers have wrought.

It is a further matter of interest that our charter is, by its special structure, supposed to be beyond the control of the Legislature to such a degree that it can neither be amended nor repealed, except-

to know consent, so long as the decision in the famous Dartmouth College case is the law of the land. And if the question is ever raised, it will have to be settled not by the State Courts, but by the Supreme Court of the United States.

The number of scholars for the year has been,—

Boarders	161
Day students	17
Total	178

Officers of Government and Instruction.

Augustus Jones, A. M., LL. B., Principal, and Ethical Science.
William E. Sargent, A. M., Governor, and English Studies and Calisthenics for Boys.
Evelyn Barrows, B. S., Preceptress, and English Studies.
Thomas J. Batley, A. M., Natural Science.
Mary E. Rawson, Vocal and Instrumental Music.
Sophia L. Fillman, Drawing and Painting.
Walter S. Peaslee, A. M., Higher Mathematics.
Frederick H. Howard, A. M., Greek and Latin.
Charles R. Jacob, A. B., Modern Languages.
Lucia A. Wheeler, A. B., English Studies.
Alice F. Mayberry, English Studies, Autumn Term.
Helen L. Thomas, A. B., English Studies, Spring Term.
Abbie D. Eastland, Primary Room.
Eliza D. Gardiner, Assistant in Drawing and Painting.
Allen W. Weeks, Mechanic Arts.
Charles E. Cobb, Charge of Boys' School Room.
Robert Bonner, Instrumental Music.
Lydia Sargent, Calisthenics for Girls.
Charles E. Cobb, Secretary and Book-keeper.
Grace King Peaslee, Librarian.

Lecturer.

Thomas J. Batley, A. M., Natural Science.

The Committee proposes that the rates for admission to the school, in term, for all who may be admitted, be $15. Credit to members of New England Yearly Meeting from the Obadiah Brown Scholarship Fund, $75. Credit to a

member of any other Yearly Meeting by scholarship from the same fund, of $25. And a further credit to any member of the New England Yearly Meeting, if selected by the School Committee, from the scholarship of the Charitable Fund, of $75. The rates are payable at the commencement of each term. An additional charge to be made for one year's instruction in Greek, Latin, French, or German, of $10; for one year's instruction in mechanical and crayon drawing and painting, $30.

It is understood that no deduction from the rates of payment shall be made, except when occasioned by prolonged sickness, and then a reduction of one half may be made for the balance of the term or period of absence.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

William C. Nerhall, Clerk.

Providence Fifth Month 30th, 1893.

Note.—The Autumn Term begins Ninth Month 13th, 1893, and the Spring Term begins Second Month 7th, 1894. Applications for admission to the School should be made seasonably for the meeting of the Committee, Eighth Month 1st, 1893.

Those who desire the benefit of the Charitable Fund should be sure to apply at the time above stated, Eighth Month 1st, 1893.

Applications should be sent to the Principal, Augustine Jones, Providence, R. I.

The report is cheering and encouraging, and we believe that the blessing of the Lord has evidently rested upon the efforts of those who have so diligently labored for its prosperity.

We appoint Henry C. Aydelott and others to propose to this Meeting the names of a Committee to have the charge of the School the ensuing year. They are also requested to propose the names of a Real Estate Committee.

This Meeting accepts the amendment to its Charter granted by the Rhode Island Legislature, at its January Session in Providence, 1893.

Auditors' Report For the Year ending Seventh Month 1st, 1892.

Resources.

Charitable Scholarship Fund	$2,175 00
Elizabeth Frye " "	1,500 00
Seneca " "	5,750 00
Stephen T. Olney " " for Scholarships	3,575 00
Philip J. Tripp Scholarship Fund	300 00
Day Students Tuition	1,827 75
Auxiliary Studies, etc.	4348 86
Board and Tuition	34,924 46
	$54.401 07

Expenditures

Salary Account	$15,517 45
Wages	11,241 41
Provisions	11330 27
Advertising	1268 07
Repairs	3 854 49
Library	734 36
Water	478 72
Fuel	1,364 25
Light	872 30
Incidentals	325 60
Improvements	3,155 45
Debts considered bad	424 75
Balance to profit and loss, exclusive of taxes paid by real estate sales.	3,933 85
	$54.401 07

Samuel R. Buffington,
Robert P. Gifford,
Charles Sisson,
James H. Chace,
Edward S. Tucker
} Auditors

The Committee on Real Estate presented the following report, viz.:

Report of The Real Estate Committee

To The Yearly Meeting

We have sold during the past year,

One lot of land containing 13,500 square feet, for	6,300 00
Received for deed delivered on a previous contract for sale of 8,750 square feet	$3,300 00
Interest on same for six months.	99 00
Balance reported on hand last year	227 88
	$9,926 88

Expenditures

Cash per expenses	$81 50
Paid J. H. Chace, Treasurer of the Boarding Sch. L. Funds	9,845 38
	$9,926 88

Robert P. Gifford
Clerk of Real Estate Committee.

Providence, Fifth Month 29th 1893

Real Estate Committee

James H. Chace. Olney S. Meader
Samuel R. Buffinton. Robert P. Gifford
Charles Sisson

The Committee having charge of Oak Grove Seminary and Bailey Institute presented their Annual Report, which has been read

The faithful report of the management is highly appreciated by this Meeting and the report is accepted.

The Committee is reappointed with the addition of the names of Rufus M. Jones and Elenora S. Woodman.

Report of The Committee On Oak Grove Seminary And Bailey Institute.

To The Yearly Meeting:

Another year of prosperity has attended the school at Oak Grove, and again we record our grateful appreciation of our Heavenly Father's favor and blessing.

The attendance has been unusually large, numbering one hundred and thirty-five pupils, and the boarding department has been full during most of the school year. The health of the school has been exceptionally

good, and both the literary and religious work highly satisfactory to your Committee. Meetings for worship have been regularly held on First-days and in the middle of the week. Of these the Principal says: "Our meetings have been seasons of great blessing to us all. Many of the scholars have given unmistakable evidence that their hearts have been changed, and we believe that God has been crowned in very many lives here."

The graduating class numbered twelve, - seven boys and five girls. Of these the Principal says: "It is an unusually strong class of young men and women of decided character, and I believe some of them will make themselves felt in the world. Eleven of the twelve are active professed Christians."

Among the acquisitions of the past year may be mentioned a five-inch, Alvin Clark telescope, presented to the school by George L. Grossman and Herbert O. Jepson, of Lynn, Mass; a fine piano, the gift of our dear friend, Sophia D. Bailey, of Trimtrop, which is highly appreciated; and an acre of land deeded by Wassaltoro Monthly Meeting. It lies directly in front of the Seminary, and is being made into a park which will add much to the beauty and permanent value of the grounds.

At a meeting of the Committee held in the Fifth Month, Rufus M. Jones gave notice that he felt the time had come for him to sever his connection with the school. The four years of his administration have been years of prosperity, of steady growth and development, not only have his labors been marked by executive ability and literary excellence, but as a religious teacher he has "allured to brighter worlds and led the way." In leaving us to enter upon a broader field of labor, it is the united prayer of the Committee with whom he has been so pleasantly associated that the Divine blessing may abide upon him. The services of his wife, Sarah E. Jones, as head of the household department, have also been highly appreciated and her Christian influence has been very helpful in the school family. Henry H. Coddard, who has ably seconded Rufus M. Jones in the work of the school

[illegible] to [illegible]
him as Principal for the coming year. The other members
of the faculty are not yet fully decided upon. With the
acknowledgment that hitherto the Lord hath helped us,
we turn hopefully to the future and commend Oak Grove
School with its important interests to the Christian care
of the Yearly Meeting.
All applications for admission to the school should be made to

Henry H. Goddard, A. M., Principal,
Oak Grove Seminary and Bailey Institute,
Vassalboro, Me.

On behalf of the Committee,

Charles H. Bailey, Chairman.
J. Warren Hawkes, Secretary.

Holland, Eighth Month 9th, 1893.

Treasurers Report, Oak Grove Seminary and Bailey Institute.

Receipts.

Cash received on Fund	$3,500 00
Interest on General Fund	1,224 85
Interest on Sibyl Jones Fund	44 33
Interest on Mary E. Austin Fund	215 44
Board and Tuition	4,793 67
Cash received from State Treasurer	800 00
Cash received from sale of cow	35 00
	$10,613 49

Expenditures.

Cash on Fund paid E. H. Bailey, Trustee	$3,500 00
Salaries	3,033 32
Wages	716 96
Scholarships	331 00
Repairs and Renewals	284 51
Provisions	1,675.62
Fuel	612 36
Lights	52 54
Incidentals	128.83
	$10,335 14
Cash on hand	$ 278 35

Jos. E. Briggs,
Treasurer.

We have examined the itemized accounts, of which the above is a summary, with the vouchers, and found them correct.

Geo. L. Crossman
Hannah J. Bailey,
Auditors.

Portland, Me., Sixth Month 9th, 1893

The Committee on Education presented the following Report, which has been read, and is satisfactory to the Meeting and the Committee now under appointment is reappointed with the exception of Augustine Jones, released at his own request. George A. Barton is appointed on the Committee in his place.

Report Of The Committee On Education.

To The Yearly Meeting Of Friends For New England

The Committee on Education report that though there has been but little definite work done under the auspices of this Committee during the year, yet there are many evidences that a gradual progress in education is being made. The schools of the Yearly Meeting have never been in a more prosperous condition, and advantages are now offered our young Friends, which have been possible in no other period of the Society's history, and such as are not easily found elsewhere. It is apparent that many of our members do not realize how important it is that their children should have the advantages of development and training which our own schools offer. Many families situated where only meagre privileges of education are possible, do not avail themselves of the opportunities of securing for their children the culture, the broadening and refining influences which every Friend's child should receive.

Our fathers, at great sacrifice and cost, labored to secure for their children, and children thereunborn, the possibilities of wider and truer education than the State has ever offered. The schools they founded have increased their means of usefulness, while the need for such a training as these schools offer is more than

ever apparent, and yet our young members are being educated by those who are not able to give them broad views of life, or to fire their hearts with noble purposes, or to fit them for active service, in any such measure as is done in our own schools.

Our Society has nobly stood for individuality and personal responsibility, and while in the church work and religious service we not delegated to any class, but are the duty of all; but to maintain this high position our members must have the best possible training and development. And we must all be aware that secular learning is not enough, that only as the soul must be filled with its responsibility to its Maker, and must be turned to the Divine Teacher, for a fuller knowledge of the Way of Life. It is our duty to see that our members are being given the highest and fullest education which is possible in this age of the world and if we neglect this and rest satisfied with the partial teaching of any teacher who happens to be near and who is inexpensive, we shall see such a course followed by degeneration throughout the Society. This day and our present condition demand schools which are the nurseries of truth, and teachers who can stir the highest impulse of mind and soul in our youth.

On behalf of the Committee,

Rufus M. Jones.

Financial Report.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Receipts

To Balance from last year	$20 39
Sixth Mo., 1893 Cash from the Middle Meeting	21 4
Total	$41 45

On behalf of the Committee,

Augustine Jones, Chairman.

Read to our edification, the joint epistle from New York Yearly Meeting.

Men's Committee On Correspondence

William P. Pickham.
Rufus M. Jones.
Wm. T. Gifford.
George L. Chapman.
H. C. Sydebotham.
Jesse McPherson.
John C. Taylor.
Samuel Buffum.
John Edward Paige
George C. Herbert.
Henry Swift.
Henry H. Goddard.
James M. Estes.
Frank E. Jones.
Henry T. Newell

Adjourned to meet in joint session to-morrow, at 10 A. M.

Seventh-day Morning Sixth Month 10th.

The Meeting assembled in joint session, pursuant to adjournment.

Read the joint epistles from Wilmington and Ohio Yearly Meetings.

The Report of the Committee on Gospel Work was now read, accepted, and is as follows:—

Report of The Committee On Gospel Work For The Year Ending Sixth Month, 10th 1893.

Dear Friends,—

Once more in the providence of God we come before the Yearly Meeting with the report of the Evangelistic work the last year.

The year [illegible] have been given, we have [illegible] labored to carry forward the work laid upon us by the Church. We have seen a year of earnest labor with us, and with our workers, and if we bring the results [illegible], we would ask all to join with us in returning unto the Lord of the harvest all the glory.

We find the Church is feeling more and more that her great mission is to preach the Gospel to every creature and to see that those who accept the Saviour are fed with [illegible] convenient for them. Several of our ministers

and many of the Gospel workers here labor faithfully, and with great zeal, some of them have made many sacrifices in preaching the Gospel, and have devoted themselves entirely to it.

We would be glad if more of our Sisters would devote themselves entirely to the Ministry of the Word.

Nearly all the reports that come to us are of an encouraging character; most of our Meetings are destitute of any systematic plan for doing Pastoral work, yet with all the seeming unfaithfulness and neglect, well attended Meetings, inactivity in work, silence as to prayer and testimony, want of system in nurturing the flock, — there is the most encouraging evidence that the Lord is richly blessing all the means that has been employed for Him, and the life of many of our Meetings and the activity of the membership is increasing. God is raising up Ministers and workers. Old men are dreaming dreams, young men are seeing visions, and sons and daughters are revealing Jesus.

Our Committee has held two meetings and we have felt the work now requires the greatest wisdom, with a firm and steady exercise of faith, courage and perseverance, with much prayer and dependence upon God.

We were knit together in love and were much favored to see eye to eye in this important work.

The several Meetings passed before us in review, many of them wanting revivals and others needing them. We dwelt upon such as seemed to need the most attention, with some there were emergencies that required attention and had to be daily watched and provided for. We began our work with the hope of reaching every meeting with a revival, but we could not do it for lack of means. All our Quarterly Meetings have had some work done; and in some of them, all their Meetings have had help, and many of them have had revivals.

The results of the work would somewhat exceed the following aggregate as a few of the meetings are not reported:—

Number of series of meetings	24
" " meetings in these series	913
" " " visited	53
" " Bible readings	42
" " children's meetings	76
" " family visits	492
" " professed conversions	613
" " " renewals	163
" " " " and conversions	778
" " requests for membership	163
" " Y. P. S. C. E. organized	3
With a membership of more than	100

Two Mission Sabbath Schools have been organized, with about one hundred members. In many of their meetings believers were urged to a full consecration of themselves to God, with the definite purpose and desire that He might accomplish in them His own will, even their sanctification. We think there is assuring evidence that a considerable number came into possession of this blessing, and that with many others, vows were taken and renewed, faith strengthened, and the standard of life raised in the meetings. The General Superintendent has devoted to this work, the past year, two-hundred and fifty-nine days in holding revivals, and lending a helping hand to others in the work, visiting Societies and looking after their needs, and rendering such other assistance as would conserve the interests of the Church. He has attended about four hundred services, has paid out for railroad and incidental expenses, for himself and others, $132.79. Has used and expended from the treasury, from Monthly Meetings, and all other sources, $723.73.

[illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

held, and with the help of the Lord of Hosts [illegible]
by which new meetings might be formed every year.

We wish to acknowledge the uniform kindness with which we have been met by all that we have in any way been associated with, and the unity and sweetness of spirit that has been manifested by all the Quarterly Meeting, Superintendents, Committee, and workers.

As we submit our report we desire that the Lord's blessing may continue with the work, and that the Church "may be filled with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope through the power of the Holy Ghost."

David J. Douglas,
General Superintendent.

This very interesting report was satisfactory to the Meeting. We have also been deeply interested in the preliminary explanations by our General Superintendent. We feel thankful for the faithful and arduous labors of our Committee, and this important concern is entrusted to the same Committee the ensuing year.

Treasurer's Report Of Committee On Gospel Work.

Receipts

By balance from last year	$84.64
By funds returned	25 00
By collection at Yearly Meeting	104.94
By individual subscriptions	534 00
Received from monthly and preparative meetings	467 09
	$1.215 67

Expenditures

To cash paid for Gospel work	$1.175 23
To balance on hand	40 44
	$1.215 67

Adjourned to meet in joint session at 2.45 this afternoon

Seventh-day Afternoon.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee on Peace have presented their Annual Report, which is very satisfactory; we appreciate their labors; and while the Committee has lost one of its able advocates and supporters, we have remembered the words, "That the Lord buries His workers but carries on His work." We commend the subject to the continued care of the Committee, who are reappointed, with the addition of Gertrude W. Carland and Augustine Jones.

Committee On Peace:

To The Yearly Meeting:

The decease of our dear Friend Thomas Chase (late Chairman of our Committee) caused much sadness at our loss, and the loss which the cause of peace has thus sustained. He had been a deep student of sorrows, and the progress of mankind, and looked forward with the fullness of faith to the ultimate triumph of the Prince of Peace. His earnest labors is clear end, and the noble Christian sentiments expressed in his writings and public addresses may well be remembered and cherished by the living.

The active work of the Committe during the year has principally devolved upon our Friend Hannah J. Bailey, of the Committee on Lectures, by whose solicitation ten lectures have been given by Dr. Trueblood, ten lectures by John F. Hanson, of South Dakota, and the same number by his wife, Alice Hanson; two addresses by Susan S. Fessenden, of Boston, and two by Mary E. Hoxie, of Moylindale, Mass. Also some public meetings in the interest of the cause have been held, at which several persons took part in the exercises, and peace literature was distributed. All these have been approved by the Committee and most of the money given was thus expended.

By advice of the Committee several sermons have been preached on this part of the Gospel. Dr. Trueblood has given his excellent and instructive addressed on "The Military Condition of Europe" at Oak Grove Seminary and at Providence School.

One of the senior classes at Oak Grove furnished a very good essay on peace, and rendered it as a part of the

graduation exercises. A letter received by one of the committee from a senior at Providence gives us assurance that Dr. Tucklood's address was just suited for fixing and confirming the peace principles which we wish taught at that Institution.

There has been some diligence (specially in Maine) in distributing tracts among the children and in increasing the circulation of the "Angel of Peace," and also of the "Pacific Banner" and the "Acorn."

It would be well if the "American Advocate of Peace" were taken more extensively (a spirited monthly published in Boston by the American Peace Society).

Through its pages one can keep well informed of the progress of peace and arbitration among the nations. The subject is discussed in a broad spirit and attractive style, which makes it a useful paper to hand out to a thinking neighbor.

The "Christian Arbitrator and Messenger of Peace," published by the Peace Association of Friends, deserves better support. Our Friends who are laboring to make this organization, with its publications and effective means for spreading peace principles, are entitled to our cordial sympathy and financial aid. A conference called by the Peace Association was held last autumn at Indianapolis to attend which, we appointed some Friends, not members of the Committee, and gave them certificates to act in our behalf. The delegates will report directly to the Yearly Meeting at this time.

An International Peace Congress is to be held at Chicago in Eighth Month next, at which we trust that our religious society will be well represented in numbers. Some of them have already received appointments as delegates by other Peace Organizations and some are among those who are laboring most to promote the interest of the Congress, and to make it a success in forwarding a cause of so much value to the world.

The humane and Christian plan of settling national difficulties by peaceful arbitration is gaining a firmer place year by year. The noblest minds and statesmen are giving the subject the attention which

it demands. The confidence that whatever [illegible]
[illegible] the Lord may make the duty [illegible] to
required of us, and it's ours, in [illegible] obedience
[illegible] to follow,

Although our [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and
[illegible] is very far [illegible], it seems to
be no time for us to [illegible] from a position in
which a Kind Providence has placed us for a good
[illegible]. Hence - loving our peace - fostering life
is still fruitful for good.

[illegible] Committee,

Samuel Buffum, Secretary.

The report of the Treasurer in account with the Yearly
Meeting's Committee on Peace is as follows.

Samuel R. Buffinton, Treasurer in account with The Yearly Meeting's Committee On Peace.

Receipts.

1892			
6th. Mo.	11	For balance from last year's account	$11 14
"	20	For amount received from Augustine Jones, Chairman of Committee on Education	3.00
		For amount received from the Monthly Meetings	70 23
		For amount received from individual contributions	13 50
9/17/92			$97.87

Expenditures

9th Mo	6	By amount paid Hannah J. Bailey on account Lecture Committee.	$75 00
6 Mo	10	By balance on hand	22 87
			$97 87

Samuel R. Buffinton Treasurer.

Portland Sixth Month 10th. 1893

Approved by Hannah J. Bailey and Thomas Wood,
Sixth Month 10th. 1893.

[illegible] a committee to serve as delegates to the Peace Conference in Chicago, to be held from the 14th. to the 20th of Eighth Month next.

The Committee on Foreign Missions have presented their Report which has been read and received. It is as follows:

Report Of The Eli And Sybil Jones Mission

To The Yearly Committee:

The Committee on Foreign Missions present to the Yearly Meeting the following report of the work at Ramallah.

Dear Friends, Superintendent of the Mission, &c.

Again we acknowledge, with heart-felt thankfulness, the goodness of our Heavenly Father in maintaining and prospering the work of this Mission another year. The Monthly Meeting has just entered upon its fourth year's existence. Its progress has been slow, but we believe sure and permanent. The names of nine new members have been recorded during the last twelve months, three by request and six by birth. The Sabbath morning meetings hold their own, and some times the meeting room has been as full as was practicable for the comfort of those who were present.

Occasionally owing to the dampness of the room, we have had all the services at the Mission House, occupying the kitchen, dining-room, passages, and schoolrooms.

The treasury of the Monthly Meeting contains two hundred and forty francs, about forty-eight dollars, which is still sacredly kept to assist the dear Friends of New England in building a new meeting house when they are ready. The people seem to take much pleasure in giving of their small means and will also be glad to work with their hands when there is a prospect of having a more suitable place of worship of their own.

The interesting Sabbath School continues to be one of the brightest and most profitable hours of the week.

During the last year the average attendance has been seventy. As yet, ours is the only school of this kind in all Palestine so far as we know.

Owing to the disturbances among some of the families in the village, we find our mid-week meetings have been somewhat affected. Some who have been in the habit of attending constantly have been induced by their friends to stay away. They know that we as a Society, do not approve of fighting or injuring each other in any way, but instead we seek to obey the command to "love our enemies" and we are glad to be able to state that many of our native members have remained faithful, and are constant attenders at all our services.

The Mothers' Meetings have been held quite regularly, and there has been a marked improvement in the [illegible] appearance of the women. Scripture texts and [illegible] with more attention and better understanding. There is some difficulty in persuading the women of one part of the village to attend the meetings in the other part owing to the custom of the people residing in different quarters of the village, each family or tribe by itself. There is a very striking difference between the different quarters of the village of Ramallah, that nearest the Mission being the highest in every respect.

A very interesting and helpful society called the "Peace Makers" has been commenced among the Training Home girls, and they hold meetings every week. One Sabbath morning a sad quarrel and throwing of stones occured among the Greeks and Latins while the little "Peace Makers" session was in progress, and the thought came, why should there not be a similar meeting for the adults. It was accordingly arranged for, with the object of promoting peace in hearts, home village and country. The work was started with twelve true and interested members, and we ask the prayers of Friends for its success.

Some new duties have been added this year to the work of the Training Home girls, such as washing clothes and riding more in the making of their bread. The older girls, after their Scripture lesson, were given practice in teaching in their own language, the teaching range of the five youngest children. The children are idle; when not busy with their regular studies, they

knit stockings or make needlework lace.

Instead of teaching one day only in English, as they did last year, they now teach six and sometimes five afternoons each week, and consequently each child can read between seventy and eighty sentences. They seem very fond of learning English. In the study of the Bible, also, considerable progress has been made.

The Boys' Day School has been small this year owing to the interference of the Greek priests; besides, many of their fathers have built mills, and the women and children not only assist in the building but were often made to do the most difficult part of the work.

One boy, the son of a native Jewish, who was very anxious to obtain an education, was taken into the Training Home as a day scholar until some provision could be made for him to enter another school.

The Girls' Day School was never before quite so prosperous as it has been during the last six months.

A new teacher from Beyrout, of five years' experience, was obtained for this school, and under new instruction the children have made grand improvement.

Through the influence of this school and the Mothers' Meeting, the whole Greek quarter of the village has improved in many ways. Unfortunately we have had three of the older girls (the eldest is only ten years old) have to be married home. The unnatural custom of early marriages causes constant changes in the day schools, and we are earnestly endeavoring to prevent them as far as possible.

One day this year we received a delegation of several of the chief inhabitants of Jifflik, a village two hours north of Ramallah, to beg us to open a day school for girls in that place.

The place was visited, suitable room obtained, an excellent teacher engaged, and work was begun among the women and children, the first week in the year. About thirty women came to the Mothers' Meetings and fifteen girls are regular attendants of the school. Our teacher, Karma Wakeem by name, holds regular meetings each week for women and children; the latter she has visited

and found to be doing well. We ask the Lord's blessing for this good work. Our kind friends of Baltimore Yearly Meeting have taken much interest in this school and have promised the amount needful to defray its expenses for a year, no small part of the money being raised by their little children. [illegible] little [illegible]

[illegible] have come to us to open girls' schools in Beer-Zait and Taiyibeh. This will gladly be done as soon as the necessary means are provided. The Medical Department has been carried on as usual, but good health has prevailed to an unusual degree, with no cholera, and consequently no quarantine. Thirty-six villages have been visited by the Physician, and one hundred and sixty days spent with patients at the Dispensary. Three thousand two hundred and fifty prescriptions were made up and eighty-three surgical operations performed. The income from the medical visits was one hundred and eighty dollars, and from the Dispensary one hundred and eight dollars.

The time for which our Dispensary building was rented has nearly expired and it is more difficult to hire rooms. We hope the time may soon come when we may have sufficient means to erect the much needed buildings where all can be accommodated.

At Christmas time the exercises were much as usual, with the addition of a Santa Claus, with whom many of the children of this land were previously unacquainted. A magic lantern exhibition also gave much pleasure to the children and adults.

On First Month 1st an all day examination was held at the meeting-house where the children did great credit to themselves and their teachers. The house was well filled in the evening with a curious mixture of people who listened attentively to a carefully prepared program which was creditably gone through with to the delight of all present.

The vineyard yield this year was as good as usual and supplied the Mission family with grapes until

late in the Tenth Month. Owing to the heavy rains we shall be obliged to [illegible] and the coming year without the usual [illegible], but trust it will yield as good supply as before.

We purchased some land, in the Sixth Month, to building two houses, and now it is enclosed with the Mission grounds, and is bearing a good crop of [illegible] for the old Mission house [illegible].

We have been cheered and encouraged by a visit from our friends Anna Sutton and Elizabeth Brown of New York Y. M., and by visits & calls of missionaries of this and other lands as they passed on their way through Ibadan. Through the kind efforts of Thomas and Isabel Barrow, who visited us last year, some of our English friends have sent to the Mission a large and useful writing desk which will be most convenient and faithful. We gratefully acknowledge this proof of kindly thought and true "Friendliness."

As we look back over the past year our hearts overflow with gratitude for the blessings which have been showered upon the work and the workers. To thank our kind Father in heaven for the many friends He has raised up in aid of the Mission. To those who have made sacrifices for the sake of "the least of these," we wish we could express our gratitude to God for the help they give.

To all who have by their prayers, & in other ways, been co-workers with God in this work we bid you God-speed, for we see the blessing of the Most High rests upon this work of His own right hand planting.

On behalf of the Committee,
Susan J. Thompson,
Secretary.

Three thousand dollars requested through the envelope system.

This school brings [illegible] to view the important field of labor in the little end of the "Garden" planted many years ago, has grown into a goodly plant which is being carefully nurtured by diligent and faithful laborers who have gone from our midst.

We spend to show a word of [illegible], and as many

desire their encouragement in this good work, on which the blessing of the Lord so evidently rests.

The Home Committee who served the Meeting last year, are reappointed to that service the ensuing year, with the addition of Augustine Jones.

Treasurer's Report.

Committee On Foreign Missions Of New England Yearly Meeting Of Friends, in account with William T. Hussey, Treasurer.

Condensed Report.

Receipts from subscriptions, bequests and donations	$6.702 0
Disbursements and deposits to "Building Fund"	$6.27[illegible]
Balance on hand	427 45
	$6.702 0

Examined the itemized account and vouchers and found correct.

Robert P. Gifford, Auditor.

Portland, Me., Sixth Month 10th, 1893

Report Of The Committee On Western Indians

In reporting the Indian work, it is with thankfulness that we can say, the Lord has blessed it throughout the year, turning one and another from pagan darkness to the feet of Jesus, to see His marvellous light.

From the report of the Associated Executive Committee we learn that there are three newly established meetings, making nineteen in all, under the care of Friends in Oklahoma and Indian Territories, with an average attendance of fifty at each on First-day morning, making an attendance of about nine hundred and fifty in all. Besides these there are sixteen other places where meetings are held, as Friends in the field are able to attend them. Frequent and pressing requests come from Indians in new places to hold meetings. One Monthly and two Preparative Meetings have been added since our last report, making four Monthly and eleven Preparative meetings, under the care of Friends, and these,

together with Spring River Society's Station in Kansas, have recently been formed into a Quarterly Meeting, called Yearly Meeting. This new meeting was held at Ottawa Meeting-house, and we are informed that it was largely attended, and owned and blest by the Head of the Church. Considerable inconvenience and loss to congregations arise from Indians moving about from place to place, so that they often settle down for a time at a distance from our schools and meetings. But though all the difficulties that attend the work, there has been much turning and souls have been won to Christ. There have been several series of meetings, two of them in Second Month were attended with many conversions, and forty applications for membership. During the year one hundred and eighty-three have professed conversion, and one hundred and thirty seven have been added to the membership, while sixty-five have removed or in other ways ceased to be members. Three new First Day schools have been added, making sixteen in all with four hundred and twenty-five on their average attendance. Seven native teachers and officers assist in the care of the schools. Friends in the field have shown much dedication to their work, some of them giving freely of their means, besides their diligent service. The Modoc Meeting and Bible school have been largely attended this winter and an increase of religious interest has been shown. Earnest efforts have been made to induce all the Modocs to abstain from the use of intoxicants which are so freely sold in the border town of Seneca. Another evidence of fidelity to their Christian instruction has been that some of the Indians, when called upon to act as witnesses, have declined to carry any deadly weapons, relying chiefly upon moral force to secure those whom they were required to arrest. Jeremiah Hubbard, at his own request, was released from the care of the Wyandotte Meeting to engage in evangelistic work. Elm Meeting has grown in numbers and spiritual life.

The Iowa Indian Meeting was held there last month. The labors of Amos and Charity David have been blessed among the Seneca. This meeting has sixty-two members. One and two Pawnee Indians are faithful elders of this meeting. They visit from house to house, inviting the heathen element to come and hear of Jesus.

Shiatook Meeting and school are still under the care of John and Eliza Hatton. The self-sacrifice of these workers, and their readiness to labor on, amid many privations, deserve warm commendation.

The decisions declaring all allottees citizens of the United States, and their personal property subject to taxation, had created quite a panic among some of the wilder tribes, and taken them by surprise, as they understood that the twenty-five years, during which the United States is to hold their land in trust, was to be allowed them to prepare themselves for full citizenship. The present year the officials sought to assess the absentee Shawnees; the consequence was that about one half of them took their effects and fled to the Creek and Choctaw country to avoid taxation, where they still remain. The collection of taxes from the less civilized Indians will work hardship, as they seldom have any money on hand, and taxes could not be collected without selling their scanty stock, which they could ill afford to lose. Shawneetown Meeting is still under the care of Dr. and Rachel Kirk, who not only have the care of this meeting, but an oversight of all the rest, he being a superintendent of the work. The Iowa Meeting is now under the care of Charles E. Mason and his wife who reside near it. The removal of some of the families of Indians from the vicinity had caused the school to be closed for a time, and Lina B. Lunt, who had charge of this school, was removed to the Kickapoo station to assist Elizabeth Test in the care and teaching of the children. John F. Mardoc and his wife reside near the Kickapoo station, and the former devotes himself to work among the adult Indians. Elizabeth Test and Lina Lunt are supported by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and will report the work of those

two Indian men, Felix. He writes in a letter to the Indian Advocate that Jim Kinney, a full blood Indian, in company with Friend Jonathan visited the meeting containing Quarterly Meeting Meeting.

He gave a short sketch of his travels to the South; "My brethren, I come to tell you all about the love of Jesus; how He came into the world to save sinners, and that He wants to save Indians too; and Jesus save me, took me all the time; I talk to Jesus, Jesus talk to me, and I pray, I pray to Jesus, and He will help him in the right way all the time. Captain Pratt told you, he told them "I think whiting, might stand there, I was a-glad and want to meet you all in Heaven." The Associated Executive Committee of the various Yearly Meetings on the continent, have had charge of the Indian work, under the care of Friends, for twenty-four years. The work has prospered far beyond what the most sanguine could have hoped in 1869, and the question naturally arises, What shall we do with these Mission Homes, Meeting and School houses, and their thirty-five congregations, and what is our duty to those who are still asking for helpers, when there is no one to tell them whether there be a Christ or no? Seems as if there could be but one answer, - Let us pray to quicken the pulse of New England Yearly Meeting, that she may guard well those children under her care, and not let the work languish for want of means to carry it on.

General Morgan, late Commissioner of Indian affairs, says:-

"There is danger that the Christian people of this country, in the present transition state of the work, will fail to appreciate the importance of distributing Missionary work for these people, by virtue of which they may be weaned from their superstition and gross errors, and be led to the practical acceptance of the fundamental truths which all thoughtful Christian men regard as essential to their welfare."

The amount to be raised by the different Yearly Meetings is $7,000. We recommend that $325 be appropriated. We also ask that the Treasury of our

Committee be replenished, not only by a collection in our Yearly Meeting, but by efforts made in all our Monthly Meetings, bringing up the amount to $1,000.

Myra C. Frye, Secretary

We have felt a deep interest in this work as presented by the report, and desire that the Committee may be endued with Divine wisdom to meet the many important issues which so frequently arise at this critical period in the history of the race.

The Meeting approves of an appropriation of $525 for the use of the Executive Committee which is referred to the Committee on Finance. The Committee of last year was reappointed to serve the ensuing year.

Committee On Western Indians in account with Samuel Buffum, Treasurer.

Receipts

Balance from last year	$5 44
Collections and pledges at Newport	235 68
Received from Monthly Meeting Treasurers	356 75
" " Friend in Providence	10 00
" " Friend in Dover	5 00
Worcester Bible School	10 00
E. I. Read (collection in Woonsocket)	20 00
	$642 87

Payments

Paid Jeremiah Hubbard	$22 00
" Support of C. W. Goddard	227 12
Associated Executive Committee	75 00
Expense of Delegate	55 00
Aid to Skiatook Mission	100 00
W. F. M. S. Sewing Machine	15 00
Dr. C. S. Kirk	25 00
Robin Hood work in Oregon	15 00
Aid of Kickapoo Mission	50 00
Balance on hand	58 75
	$642 87

The Committee on Memorials reported as follows: —

Your Committee to memorialize the President of the United States, in reference to the atrocities committed against the colored people of the South, against the opening of the Columbian Exposition on the Sabbath, against the licensing of the sale of intoxicating liquor in Utah, also to memorialize Congress upon the same subjects, and the Commissioners of the Columbian Exposition against opening the said Exposition on the Sabbath day, report that they have attended to the duties assigned them by sending to the President of the United States, the Senate and House of Representatives, and to the Commissioners of the Exposition, respectively, the memorials prepared by this Meeting last year.

Timothy B. Hussey, for Committee.

Portland, Me., Sixth Month 10th, 1893

Adjourned to meet in separate sessions Second day morning at 10 o'clock.

During the joint session on Seventh day morning, the Nominating Committee, appointed for that purpose, brought forward the following names to serve as a Committee on Correspondence, which were approved;-

Names Of Corresponding Committee.

Anna H. Hussey.
Louisa N. Reader.
Susan T. Thompson.
Mary R. Jones.
Bessie T. King.
Mary W. Jones.
Deborah H. Eastman.
Elizabeth C. Ewer.
Adaline L. T. Davis.
Sarah D. Brown.
Jennie Allyne.
Phebe M. Wadsworth.
Lizzie A. Church.
Melissa Dearborn.
Anna J. Goddard.
L. Maria Jones.

Second-Day, Morning, 11th.

Met in separate session according to adjournment.

Certificated from Goshen Monthly Meeting, indorsed by Purchase Quarterly Meeting, New York, on behalf of our dear friends, Edwin Reynolds, a minister, and his wife Sophronia E. Reynolds, an elder, have been read, and are accepted to us. We extend to them and others who are in attendance of this Meeting without certificates, a cordial welcome.

Epistles from our dear visitors of Iowa, Canada, and Kansas Yearly Meetings have been acceptably read.

The Committee who have charge of the disbursement of the income of the Hoskin Fund, and the Trustees of the same, have suspended their Annual Report which has met the approval of this Meeting. We unite with them in the reappointment of the same Committee who served last year.

Report of Committee on Income of the Hoskin Fund

To The Yearly Meeting:

The Committee on the disbursement of the Hoskin Fund report that two hundred and ninety-five copies of a work entitled, "Making the Most of Life," written by J. R. Miller, have been distributed; some of the recipients of the book have acknowledged its helpfulness; the book has to do particularly with Christian living, and its contents are such as would be helpful to Christians of all denominations; it enforces those principles of the Christian religion which we hold in common with other branches of the Church.

The Yearly Meeting is happy in having had, as a part of itself, two persons, Eli and Sybil Jones, whose lives exhibited to use the words of our trust, "the principles of the Christian religion as preached and promulgated by the early Friends." Thirty-four additional copies of "Eli and Sybil Jones; their Life and Work" have been distributed. "The Kentucky Testimony," published by request of the Christian Arbitration and Peace Society, Philadelphia, presents in a pleasing way the principles of the Society of Friends in regard to peace and slavery. One hundred copies of this book have been distributed.

The Committee subscribed for seventy copies of the "Friends' Review" having in mind members of our Society

[illegible] the [illegible] "Friends' Review" because of their [illegible] to the Editor.

One hundred and fifty copies of a new book, "The Bible: Who Shall Have It — What It Say Can Done." by William Beck have been ordered, but as they are to come from England, they are not yet in the hands of the Committee for distribution.

Alfred H. Jones, Chairman.
Sarah Marble, Secretary.

Portland, Me. Sixth Month 8th. 1893

H. H. Mosher Fund — Treasurer's Report.

Receipts

Balance as per last report	$236 39
From Trustees	500 00
From Savings Bank, interest	1 32
	$737 71

Expenditures.

For 295 copies	"Making Most of Life"	$221 25
34 "	"Elias and Lydia Jones."	30 60
70 "	"Friends Review"	105 00
7 "	"Thoughts On Holiness."	2 25
7 "	"Memoirs of Edward Scull"	7 00
1 "	"Instruction to Christian Converts"	33
100 "	"Haydock's Testimonies	50
Express, postage, etc.		20 19
		$436 62
Balance to new account.		$301 09

J. E. Paige, Treasurer.

Names Of The Committee

Alfred H. Jones,	Ruth S. Murray,
Esther Jones,	Sarah Marble,
J. Ellwood Paige,	C. Warren Barker,

Susan Peckham.

The names of Elizabeth T. Larkin, Deborah P. Atherton, Esther Jones, and Susan Peckham have been proposed as additions to the Committee on Correspondence, which being approved, they are added to the list presented at a former sitting.

The Annual Report of the Trustees of the George Sturge, Henry Cavin, and Benjamin F. Knowles Funds has been read and accepted in accordance with their Deeds.

The Annual Report of the Trustees of the George Sturge, Henry Cavin, and Benjamin F. Knowles Funds.

Financial Statement.

George Sturge Fund.

Receipts

Balance from last year	$3 38
Coupons paid Seventh Month 1st, 1892	727 50
" " First Month 1st, 1893	727 50
Interest on Deposits	20 97
	$1,479 35

Expenditures

Box in Rhode Island Safe Deposit	$10 00
Assisting students, Fall Term	361 85
" " Spring Term	1,088 15
Balance for new account	19 35
	$1,479 35

Henry Cavin Fund

Receipts

Balance from last year	$68 09
Interest on mortgage for $1,000	66 50
" " deposit	2 64
	$137 23

Expenditures

Paid Committee on Freedmen, Third Month 3d, 1893	$50 00
" " " Fifth Month 26th, 80 00	
Balance for new account	7 23
	$137 23

B. F. Knowles Fund

Receipts

To Dividend 53 Willimantic Linen Company, Eighth Month 1st, 1892	$4 50
To Dividend 54 Willimantic Linen Company Second Month 1st, 1893	4 50
	$9 00

Expenditures

Paid Freedmen's Committee, Fifth Month 26th, 1893	$9 00

On behalf of the Trustees,

Augustine Jones,
J. H. Chace,
Susan T. Thompson.

The following changes have occurred in our several Quarterly Meetings during the past year as recorded in their records & this meeting, viz.:

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting reports that Eyrieth W. Potter, an Elder and member of Rhode Island Monthly Meeting died Second Month 26th, 1893, aged 80 years. Abner Potter, a minister and member of the same Meeting died Third Month 12th, 1893, aged 91 years. Eunice Coles, an Elder and member of Swansea Monthly Meeting, died Second Month 7th, 1893 aged 84 years. Sarah M. Davis, a Minister and member of the same Meeting, has been released from membership in the Society, at her own request. Thomas Chace an Elder and member of Providence Monthly Meeting died Tenth Month 25th, 1892 aged 65 years. It has united with South Kingstown Monthly Meeting in the discontinuance of their Monthly Meetings, except those next preceding the several Quarterly Meetings. It has united with Rhode Island, Swansea, and Providence Monthly Meetings in their appointment of twenty-nine associate members of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

Salem Quarterly Meeting reports that it has united with Salem Monthly Meeting in the appointment of George H. Jones to the station of Elder, also with Amesbury and Boston Monthly Meetings in their appointment of twenty-two associate members of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight. Thomas Folsom, an Elder and member of Amesbury Monthly Meeting, died Third Month 23d, 1893 aged 91 years.

Sandwich Quarterly Meeting reports that it has united with Dartmouth Monthly Meeting in the appointment of George C. Allen and Sarah F. Potter to the station of Elder, and with their Monthly Meetings in the appointment of fifty-nine associate members of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight. Edward G. Hoyt, a minister, has been received a member of Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, by [illegible] certificate from

Hatboro Monthly Meeting, Pa. has united with Sandwich Monthly Meeting in changing the date of that meeting at three times in the year, viz: from the Sixth day before the first-Fifth day in Fourth Month, to the first Sixth day in Fourth Month; from the Sixth day after the first Fifth day in Tenth Month; from the Sixth day before the first Fifth day in Twelfth Month, to the first Sixth day in the Twelfth Month, the rule remaining the same, and also with that Monthly Meeting in changing the time of holding their Preparative Meeting on Ministry and Oversight, to the morning of the day of the Monthly Meeting preceding each Quarterly Meeting, at 9.30 A.M.

Whenever changes in the dates of the Monthly Meetings have been made, as above noted, the Preparative Meeting at Sandwich is held on the Fourth day of the week before those Monthly Meetings; and the Preparative Meetings at Falmouth and Yarmouth on the Fifth day of the week before the Monthly Meetings above alluded to.

Falmouth Quarterly Meeting reports that it has united with Falmouth Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Sarah N. Hacker, L. Maria Hacker, Caroline Jones, and Alice W. Hawkes to the station of Elder. It also unites with Durham Monthly Meeting in acknowledging the gift and approving the public ministry of Marcus L. Thomas, Sarah Douglas, Julia B. Lunt, Diana C. Goddard, and Osborne F. Hoffman; also with the same Meeting in the appointment of Jennie P. Douglas, Edward F. Bailey, Ella L. Bailey, Nathan Douglas, 2d, and Emma F. Douglas, to the station of Elder. Elizabeth B. Evans, a Minister and member of Falmouth Monthly Meeting, died Third Month 10th 1893, aged 62 years. Robert Goddard, an Elder of Durham Monthly Meeting, died Twelfth Month 6th, 1892, aged 82 years.

Smithfield Quarterly Meeting reports that Nelson Taft, an Elder and member of Smithfield Monthly Meeting, died Sixth Month 28th. 1892 aged 87 years. Phebe Mc. Titts, an Elder and member of Uxbridge Monthly Meeting, died Sixth Month 12th. 1892, aged 83 years. James F. Arnold, an Elder and member of Uxbridge Monthly Meeting, died Eighth Month 28th. 1892, aged 67 years. Daniel Thurber has been appointed

correspondence of Uxbridge Monthly Meeting. It has united with Uxbridge Monthly Meeting in acknowledging the gift and approving the public ministry of Milton H. Cook. It has united with the Monthly Meeting in the appointment of eleven associate members of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting reports that it has united with Vassalboro Monthly Meeting in acknowledging the gift and approving the public ministry of Elijah Cook and James M. Estes, and in appointing Sylvena Prescott to the station of Elder, also in the appointing of fourteen associate members of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight. It has united with China Monthly Meeting in acknowledging the gift and approving the public ministry of Frank H. Jones; and in the appointment of Lydia R. Jones, Mary J. Enid, and Hannah E. Evans, to the station of Elder; and with Unity Monthly Meeting in appointing Clara E. Webb and Eva J. Howe to the station of Elder. J. Warren Starkey, a Minister and member of Vassalboro Monthly Meeting, died 5th Month 25th. 1891, aged 66 years. Henry Hanson, an Elder and member of the same Meeting died Third Month 26th. 1892, aged 73 years. Caleb Jones, an Elder and member of China Monthly Meeting died Second Month 17th 1892 aged 64 years.

Dover Quarterly Meeting reports that it has united with Dover Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Daniel J. Jennes, Ida M. Jennes, and Lois H. Osborn, to the station of Elder; and with Berwick, in the appointment of six associate members of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight. Sarah T. Tasker, an Elder and member of Dover Monthly Meeting, died Fifth Month 3rd 1892 aged 65 years. Oliver Hearder, an Elder and member of Berwick Meeting died Tenth Month 31st, 1892 aged 77 years. Martha S. Cornell, an Elder and member of the same Meeting died [illegible] 2nd, 1893, aged [illegible] years. Mary H. Nowell, a Minister and member of the same Meeting died Tenth Month 28th. 1893, aged 80 years. It has united with Dover Monthly Meeting in changing the place of holding said Meeting in the third and Eighth Months to Dover, N. H., same time.

Fairfield Quarterly Meeting reports that it has united with Westbrook Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Levi Richmond, Sarah H. Richmond and Mary G. Hinton, to the station of Elder; and in the appointment by two Monthly Meetings, of nineteen associate members of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

Rhoda Sanford an Elder and member of Westbrook Monthly Meeting, died Fifth Month 18th, aged 86 years, 11 months, and 27 days.

Parsonsfield Quarterly Meeting reports that Sarah H. Leonard, an Elder and member of Parsonsfield Meeting, died Seventh Month 13th, 1892, aged 79 years, 11 months, and 10 days. Moses L. Cobb an Elder and member of the same Meeting, died Ninth Month 21st, 1892, aged 53 years.

The statistical Accounts presented from our several Quarterly Meetings have been read.

Statistical Report.

	Number of Males in Unity, viz: Members. Children.	Born in the last year as reported.	Births.	Deaths.	Married &c.	Married out.	Admitted.	Released.	Gain.	Loss.	Present number.
Rhode Island	885 —		9	21	2	1	9	33	—	35	850
Salem	694 —		4	14	12	20	14	10	—	14	680
Sandwich	360 —		3	13	8	—	10	3	5	—	365
Falmouth	555 —	1	5	12	35	3	24	4	45	1	599
Smithfield	316 —	—	3	9	1	—	—	2	—	7	309
Vassalboro	506 —	70	2	6	1	—	39	2	34	70	470
Dover	190 —	1	2	3	—	—	5	—	—	1	189
Fairfield	527 —	—	11	8	1	12	13	8	—	6	321
Parsonsfield	160 —	1	—	3	—	—	—	3	—	7	152
Total	4371	73	37	11	60	36	114	70	84	142	4333

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting has received [illegible] by request of [illegible] Meeting [illegible] Meeting [illegible] Meeting

Adjourned to meet in joint session at four o'clock.

Second-Day Afternoon.

Met in joint session according to adjournment.

In accordance with the request of Salem Quarterly Meeting, we appoint Elizabeth A. Telford, Anna M. Jones, Elizabeth A. Taylor, Lucy A. Goddard, Deborah P. Abbott, Eliza P. Pierce, Sylvia M. C. Tuttle, Grace H. Mumford, and Eunice D. Pattee, to unite with a similar Committee of Men Friends, to take into consideration the subject of making some provision for defining the duties of overseers and providing for some legislative enactment whereby Monthly Meetings can be incorporated and Trustees appointed to hold property and Trust Funds.

We have at this time the acceptable company of our aged brother, Daniel B. Randall, delegate from the Methodist Episcopal Church, and our brother, Edwin H. Wilson, from the General Conferences of the Congregational Churches of Maine.

This fraternal recognition from these Churches we appreciate as a proof of Christian fellowship, a unity of heart and purpose in the spread of the same gospel, and it brings nearer the realization of a common brotherhood in Jesus Christ our Lord.

David J. Douglas was appointed delegate to bear our fraternal greetings to the next Methodist Conference, and Alfred H. Jones to the Congregational Conference.

The Committee On Bible Schools presented the following report which is accepted:—

Report On Bible Schools.

To New England Yearly Meeting of Friends:—

We believe Bible School work in the Yearly Meeting is in general condition somewhat better than was reported one year ago. In many places good, flourishing schools are maintained; many report an increased membership; schools from a few have come decreased.

Since several schools have reported at this time which did not last year, it will be necessary, in making figures for comparison, to include only those reporting in both years. On this basis six Quarterly Meetings show a total increase in membership of two hundred and forty-six, the greatest for any one being ninety-nine in Sandwich, which appears to be due chiefly, though not entirely, to an increase in the New Bedford school Wassalboro shows a decrease of eleven; Fairfield of sixteen; Farmington of twenty-three, a total decrease of fifty. This leaves the net increase in the Yearly Meeting of one hundred and ninety-six.

The average attendance in most quarters appears lower, to have decreased. Therefore in what may be termed "quantitive" work, we cannot claim any advancement over the previous year. Of the quality of our work, which is of greater importance, no man can judge. We trust every worker has striven to make that as high as possible.

Regarding the proportion in our schools membership of those belonging to our own Society, the lowest percentage appears in Sandwich, it being reported as twenty-one percent, or having seventy-nine per cent of members who are not Friends.

The highest is in Dover which reports seventy-eight per cent of Friends, or only twenty-two per cent of those not Friends. If a low percentage of membership of those who are Friends indicates that we are getting into our schools children from outside, who perhaps do not otherwise attend Sabbath School, we are doing good work and should feel encouraged.

This class of membership seems to have materially increased during the last year, throughout the Yearly Meeting.

There is also encouragement in the number reported as evidencing conversion during the year, which is ninety-six as against fifty-seven for last year. This would seem to justify us in concluding that the quality of our work has been good.

It is noticeable that the variety of children's papers used is large. Of the lesson helps, Peloubet's and Friends' are most favored. Further facts of interest can be obtained by exam-

STATISTICAL REPORT.

Quarterly Meeting.	Location of School.	Local Superintendent's Name and Address.	Monthly Meeting.	Membership of Schools.	Average Attendance.	No. of Friends.	No. of Classes.	No. Evidencing Change of Heart During Year.	Is Religious Interest Increasing?	Are Teachers' Meetings Held?	Volumes in Library.	Books Added During Year.	†Lesson Helps Used.	‡Papers Used.	Number of Papers Distributed.	Temperance Lessons.	Peace Lessons.	Observance of Children's Day.	Months of School.
Rhode Island.	Portsmouth	John B. Grinnell, Portsmouth, R. I.	Rhode Island	40	27	35	7	–	No	No	200	0	1	S, X	–	4	0	No	12
	Newport	R. C. Witherell, 52 Third Street, Newport	Rhode Island	45	30	13	5	0	As usual	No	450	0	3	O. M.	1320	4	0	No	12
	East Greenwich	Lydia E. Drinkwater, East Greenwich	E. Greenwich	18	11	8	2	0	Slightly.	No	120	0	2, 4	F	36	–	–	No	12
	Fall River	Herbert A. Skinner, Fall River	Swansea	106	58	47	10	–	–	Not regular	308	11	1, 2, 5	S,O,C,P,b	2650	4	–	No	12
	Hopkinton	Wm T. Collins, Wood River Junction, R. I	South Kingston,	16	12	10	1	0	–	No	400	0	1	–	–	Few	Few	No	8
	Lower Smithfield,	Louisa N. Meader, Saylesville, R. I.	Providence	76	60	13	5	–	Yes.	–	117	17	2, 6	O,I,Z	–	–	–	–	12
	Somerset	G. M. Chace, Box 355, Fall River	Swansea	62	31	33	7	4	Yes.	No	305	0	2	O,U,I.X,V	1300	4	0	No	12
	Providence	Robert P. Gifford, Providence	Providence	22	15	22	2	–	Yes.	No	200	0	–	P	–	–	–	No	9
		Totals		385	244	181	39	4			2100	28	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Salem.	Amesbury	Daniel C. Maxfield, Amesbury	Amesbury	56	32	40	5	–	Yes	No	250	12	1, 2	A,O,R,U.X	1200	4	0	No	12
	Boston	Thomas Wood, 3 Gleason Street, Dorchester,	Boston	50	28	47	4	–	Think so	Weekly	250	5	1	A,B	300	4	0	No	12
	Clinton Grove	D. R. Chase, East Deering, N. H.	Weare	8	6	6	2	–	No	–	150	5	2	None	–	2	0	No	6
	East Lynn	Charles E. Bishop, 324 Union Street, Lynn	Salem	187	87	31	15	–	Yes	–	256	20	1	A	500	4	–	Yes	12
	Henniker	(Not reported)		*17	*9	*10	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	Lawrence	S. Swett, Ayer's Village, Mass.	Boston	80	69	53	7	2	Same	Quarterly	70	–	2	A,C,S	620	3	2	No	12
	Lowell	Charles Kelley, Room 2, P. O. Block, Lowell,	Boston	7	9	6	1	–	Yes	–	–	–	2	–	–	1	–	No	12
	Lynn	George C. Herbert, Lynn, Mass.	Salem	138	86	63	13	0	No	Monthly	341	43	1, 2	B,S	1170	3	0	Yes	12
	North Weare	Harriet N. Jones, North Weare, N. H.	Weare	30	20	15	4	–	–	No	500	–	1, 2, 4	A,N,Q	–	3	–	No	12
	Salem	George H. Jones, Highland Avenue, Salem	Salem	25	17	23	2	0	–	No	90	28	1, 2	O,S,U,X	250	4	0	No	12
	South Pittsfield	A. N. Peaslee, South Pittsfield, N. H.	Amesbury	*38	*25	7	4	–	Yes	–	40	0	1	–	–	4	0	No	12
	West Epping	Moses O. Nichols, West Epping, N. H.	Amesbury	12	10	12	2	–	–	No	75	10	7	None	–	4	–	No	12
		Totals		648	398	313	59	2			2522	123	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Sandwich.	Acushnet	Adelaide V. Wilbur, Acushnet, Mass.	New Bedford	15	10	10	1	–	–	–	200	–	2	G,O,S,U,X	250	4	–	No	12
	Allen's Neck	Henry A. Allen, Dartmouth, Mass.	Dartmouth	103	58	23	10	14	–	–	208	–	1	R,W	–	12	2	No	12
	Central Village	Lydia Gifford, Adamsville, R. I.	Westport	42	30	30	5	8	Yes	No	–	–	1, 2	O	–	–	–	No	12
	Long Plain	Richard Davis, Long Plain, Mass.	New Bedford	25	13	20	2	0	–	No	400	3	2	E,O,Y	360	12	12	No	12
	E. Mattapoisett	Joshua L. Macomber, East Mattapoisett	New Bedford	28	20	8	3	3	Yes	No	546	0	2	O,S,U,X	300	12	12	No	12
	New Bedford	Nat. W. Gifford, 214 Lr. Water st., N. Bedford,	New Bedford	194	104	15	16	–	–	No	385	60	None	O	1200	4	–	No	10
	Smith's Neck	E. L. Faunce, South Dartmouth, Mass.	Apponegansett	53	33	16	6	6	Yes	No	200?	0	6	K	520	4	None	No	12
		Totals		460	288	122	43	31			1939	63	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

Falmouth.	Casco	S. A. Hall, Casco, Me	Windham	18	14	10	2	0	Same	No	70	2	1, 2	Several	–	4	0	No	12
	Deering	Ellen Winslow, Westbrook, Me	Falmouth	40	15	24	4	1	Same	–	100	10	1	E,O,S a	–	4	0	No	12
	East Durham	Mahlon D. Goddard, Lisbon Falls, Me	Durham	30	24	16	4	1	Yes	No	110	0	1	Q,S,c	100	4	0	No	9
	Lewiston	D. L. McIntire, 207 College Street, Lewiston	Lewiston	65	60	50	10	15	Yes	–	150	25	1	B,R	300	4	–	Yes	12
	Portland	Fred C. Dearborn, 44 Winter Street, Portland	Falmouth	84	48	61	7	0	Yes	No	240	16	2, 3	None	0	4	0	No	12
	South Durham	Henry M. Snow, South Durham	Durham	90	49	45	8	2	Good	Weekly	115	15	1	H,J,O,S,U	1040	4	52	Yes	12
	Windham	(Mrs.) L. Maria Jones, Windham Centre	Windham	50	25	30	4	7	Yes	No	256	11	1	O,U	48	4	0	Yes	12
		Totals		377	235	236	39	26			1041	79	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Smithfield.	Bolton	Alfred Dow, Hudson, Mass	Bolton	70	45	37	7	1	Good	No	283	0	1, 2	E,O,S,a	1300	4	0	Yes	12
	West Mansfield	None appointed	Smithfield	6	4	5	1	0	No	–	100	3	None	O,d	85	0	0	No	12
	Northbridge	Salome C. Wheeler, Uxbridge, Mass	Uxbridge	18	14	4	3	0	No	No	150	0	2	O,S,U,X	400	2	2	No	12
	Worcester	D. M. Babcock, 17 Sudbury Street, Worcester,	Uxbridge	25	13	14	2	0	Good	No	300	0	2, 7	O,S,U,X	288	4	1	No	12
	Woonsocket	James S. Read, Woonsocket, R. I	Smithfield	183	84	34	10	0	Yes	No	490	17	1, 2	E,O,S,a	900	4	1	No	12
		Totals		302	160	94	23	1			1323	20	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Vassalboro.	Brooks	Omar G. Hussey, Waldo Station, Me	Unity	40	25	10	4	2	–	–	50	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	6
	China	George E. Roberts, China, Me	China	36	23	21	4	–	No	No	None	–	1, 2	–	–	4	–	No	12
	East Vassalboro	Abbie P. Jenkins, Lamb's Corner, Me	Vassalboro	40	30	23	4	–	Yes	–	145	–	1, 2	H,L	850	4	4	–	12
	Maple Grove	J. W. Plummer, Fort Fairfield, Me	Maple Grove	25	15	10	3	–	–	–	5	0	1	None	0	4	–	No	12
	South China	Elwood Jones, South China, Me	China	65	45	40	5	3	No	Weekly	150	0	1, 2	Variety	?	4	0	Yes	12
	Unity	George W. Varney, Unity, Me	Unity	25	20	20	3	1	Yes	No	0	0	6	–	–	–	–	–	12
	West China	Albert Pinkham, China, Me	China	20	15	9	2	–	–	No	Large number	0	6	–	–	–	–	No	8
		Totals		251	173	133	25	6			–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dover.	Dover	Alice R. Estes, 36 Silver Street, Dover	Dover	25	14	22	3	–	–	No	143	4	2, 6	X	–	–	–	No	12
	Gonic	C. I. Pinkham, Gonic, N. H.	Dover	38	24	22	3	–	No	No	169	53	1	5 kinds	–	4	0	No	12
	Rochester	Anna M. Evans, Rochester, N. H.	Dover	22	10	20	2	–	–	–	–	–	2, 6	W	500	1	1	No	12
	North Berwick	William T. Hussey, North Berwick, Me	Berwick	12	10	12	1	–	–	–	–	–	1, 2, 4	–	–	–	–	–	12
		Totals		97	58	76	9	–	–	–	312	57	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Fairfield.	Augusta	Ada Livermore, Augusta	Winthrop	20	11	6	3	1	Yes	–	–	–	1	O,S,U,X	100	2	–	–	3
	Hallowell	A. F. Morse, Hallowell	Winthrop	20	16	10	3	–	Good	–	52	5	2	B	–	4	–	No	12
	Manchester	Alfred W. Hawkes, Manchester	Winthrop	39	27	17	3	–	Yes	–	–	–	1	6 Kinds	916	4	–	–	12
	North Fairfield	George B. Wing, North Fairfield	Sidney	35	21	13	3	–	No	–	70	32	1	B	150	4	–	–	12
	Sidney Centre	Sarah E. Shepherd, Sidney Centre	Sidney	23	19	13	3	4	Yes	–	275	0	1	Assorted	–	4	0	No	12
	St. Albans	Jesse W. Chandler, St. Albans	St. Albans	33	17	33	4	0	No	No	None	0	2	O,X	–	1	0	No	12
	Winthrop Centre	C. I. Bailey, Winthrop Centre	Winthrop	158	84	55	11	20	Yes	Weekly	413	100	1, 4	None	–	4	0	No	12
	West Gardiner	Mark Osborne, Manchester	Winthrop	20	16	9	2	0	Same	No	–	0	1	Cook's	936	4	0	No	12
		Totals		348	211	156	32	25			810	137	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	East Parsonsfield	Silas H. Cartland, E. Parsonsfield, Me	Parsonsfield	25	25	25	3	–	Good	No	220	0	1, 2	D,R,U,X	780	4	2	No	12
	North Sandwich	Joseph H. Cartland, North Sandwich, N. H.	No. Sandwich	44	33	25	3	1	No	No	103	0	1	H, e	?	0	–	No	12
		Totals		69	58	50	6	1			323	0	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

*Taken from report of last year. †Figures in this column have reference to list of Lesson Helps, on page 40. ‡Letters in this column refer to list of papers used, on page 40.

Quarterly Meetings	No. of Schools Reported.	Total Membership.	Average Attendance Number	Per cent of Membership	Friends Number	Per cent of Membership	No. Evidencing Change of Heart.	Teachers' Meetings Yes.	Teachers' Meetings No.	Is Religious Interest increasing? Yes.	Is Religious Interest increasing? No.	Observance of Children's Day Yes.	Observance of Children's Day No.
Rhode Island	*8	383	244	63%	181	47%	4	3	8	4	4	0	8
Salem	11	648	398	61%	313	48%	2	3	8	5	6	2	9
Sandwich	7	460	268	51%	122	21%	31	0	7	3	4	0	7
Falmouth	7	377	235	62%	236	63%	26	1	6	4	3	3	4
Smithfield	5	302	160	53%	94	31%	1	0	5	1	4	1	4
Passaic & Bos	77	251	173	68%	133	53%	6	1	6	2	5	1	6
Dover	4	97	58	60%	76	78%	-	0	4	0	4	0	4
Fairfield	8	348	211	61%	156	45%	25	1	7	4	4	0	8
Parsonsfield	2	69	58	84%	50	72%	1	0	2	0	2	0	2
Totals	59	2937	1805	61½%	1361	46%	96	6	53	23	36	7	52

* Providence Boarding School not included.
† Oak Grove School not included

Lesson Helps Used.

1 Belcubet 2 Friends. 3 Pilgrim Congregational 4 S.S. Times
5 S.S. Journal (Vincent- 6 Cook 7 Berean

Papers Used

A Angel of Peace.
B Child's Hour.
C Child's Paper.
D Day Spring.
E Everybody's Magazine.
F Friends' Quarterly.
G Friends' Review.
H Happy Hours.
I Little Christian
J Little Folks Paper
K. Little Gem.
L Little Weekly.
M. Mayflower.
N Northern Messenger.
O Olive Leaf.
P Scholars' Magazine.
Q Sunday Afternoon.
R Temperance Banner.
S Temperance Stories.
U Try, Try Again.
V. Young Crusader
W Young People's Weekly
Y Youth's Friend
Y Youth's Paper.
Z. Weekly Welcome
a Well Spring
b. Words of Life
c Good Words.
d Temperance Reading
e Weekly Magnet.

On the 22nd. 23d and 24th of Second Month, we held at Lynn our Yearly Meeting Bible School Conference. Notwithstanding unfavorable weather the attendance was good, nearly all parts of the Yearly Meeting being represented. On the opening day occured perhaps the severest

[illegible] of the winter. [illegible] attending who had planned to do so, and obliged many from a distance to delay coming until Second Day. In consequence our programme for the first session was somewhat interfered with, which was a disappointment, since we had arranged to discuss therein topics relating especially to the organization of our work. That for the remaining sessions however, was, in the main, carried out as planned. During the Conference we were privileged to listen to many very able papers and addresses from workers in our own Society, and all who attended seemed to appreciate the addresses from S. Edmund and Miss Eaton. A report of the Conference would not be complete without mention of the [illegible] service of Ruth Smith who said singing was in the spirit, and a genuine pleasure and inspiration. We think the Conference was regarded a success in having been of practical benefit to our Bible School workers who attended. It has been understood that some who did not attend would have done so had they "known it was going to be so interesting." We encourage all such to attend the next one. In the early part of the year the question was considered what should be regarded as the duties of the Quarterly Meeting Superintendent. The following suggestions received the approval of the Committee

Duties of The Quarterly Meeting Superintendent

1 To visit schools in his district one or more times during the year.

2 To have each school keep a satisfactory record of membership, attendance, etc.

3 To secure, prior to the holding of Quarterly Meeting and to transmit to the meeting, reports from all schools in his district.

4 To be well informed in best methods of Bible School work, with a view to giving assistance to and superintendents and others as may seem desired.

5 To see that at least one Quarterly Meeting Conference is held in his District during the year [illegible] should be held if possible [illegible] to make necessary

arrangements as to time and place for holding conferences, programme, &c.; & act subject to approval of the conference, or its governing officers.

6 To obtain a written report from the [illegible] number of the yearly [illegible] for the Quarterly Meeting, and from any [illegible] appointed for the [illegible] Meeting, to be read at the [illegible]

7 In general, to act in conjunction with the Yearly Meeting Superintendent in organizing and promoting the success of Bible School work in the Yearly Meeting.

The plan of organization entered into one year ago seemed very satisfactory as a whole.

There has been expended during the year, in organizing the Conference and for printing, postage, etc., the sum of $78.95, and there is now in the treasury, as shown by the Treasurer's report, a balance of $146.15. We would not have this balance, however, had we been given time to spend it. During the year, and until within two or three weeks, our available working fund has been from $30 down to nothing, followed by a period of working on credit until the issuance of our recent circular letter, since which contributions have been received in a manner which has been highly appreciated. This balance, and as much more as will be contributed during the coming year, can be judiciously expended in the good of the cause and in reaching some of the needful ones.

In closing we would acknowledge the goodness and guidance of our Heavenly Father in our work, and our appreciation of the kind and hearty encouragement of our friends who have generously aided in every direction in which they have been called upon to assist. May we enter upon our work of another year with added zeal, which with God's blessing must result in great success, realizing that we cannot over-estimate the value of conscientious hard work in the teaching and salvation of the young people and children with whom we labor.

For the Committee.

George L. Crosman,

Yearly Meeting Supt.

This report of the earnest and faithful labors of the Committee has been very interesting. The visible result would have been gratifying, but there must always be in this work much that lies hidden from view in the present, but which in the precious seed may be germinating in the heart, and will in due season appear.

We desire the encouragement of the Committee in this important service. Two hundred dollars requested through the envelopes.

Third-Day Morning, Mo. 13.

Met in separate session according to adjournment.

A summary of the answers to the Queries from our several Preparative Meetings was read, and a consideration of the State of Society as thus presented was entered upon.

Answers To Queries

Answer 1. Our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been regularly held except fifty-two omitted in most cases on account of the unusual severity of the last winter. First-day meetings are duly attended by nearly all of our members, at the hour appointed. Midweek meetings are much neglected.

Ans. 2 With one exception love and unity are maintained. Detraction not sufficiently guarded against. Not quite clear as to differences.

Ans. 3 Most Friends are careful to maintain a religious life and conversation, and to train their children and others under their care in accordance with our Christian profession.

Ans. 4 We believe the Holy Scriptures are read individually and collectively in nearly all our families, and that our children and others are encouraged in the daily practice of this religious duty. Our testimony to a free Gospel ministry not wholly maintained.

Ans. 5 Friends abstain from the use of intoxicating liquor as a beverage, and most Friends avoid amusements and diversions inconsistent with a Christian character. Moderation is generally observed.

Ans. 6 The circumstances of the poor and of such as appear likely to need assistance, are duly inspected, and their necessities relieved. When necessary they are assisted in finding employment and in educating their children.

Ans. 7 Most Friends maintain our testimony against bearing arms, and other military matters, against oaths, and defending the public cause.

Ans. 8 Friends generally pay their debts and settle their accounts, are punctual to their promises, just in the payment of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Ans. 9 Records are attended to. A few removals without certificates of which some care is taken.

Ans. 10 The discipline is administered in Christian tenderness and impartially, though not always as timely as would be best.

Minute on the Habit of Speech.

When love and unity are deficient, the cause is largely detraction, therefore when any one begins to tell us something against another, let us not listen, but quietly change the conversation. We can practise self-denial in talking, as well as in other habits.

What is said is often so changed in passing through several mouths, that it can scarcely be recognized; therefore, we should be very careful not to repeat what we have heard about any one, unless we are sure it is true. It is better to say nothing, if we can say nothing good. "Set a watch, O Lord, before the door of my lips" is a prayer we might to offer every day.

Only God knows the heart, so we ought not to judge the motives of others, but leave them to the Lord Jesus. We should judge of acts according to their merits, but judge each other with the charity that "beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things." May God give us this divine charity.

Unless we are in harmony, our work is hindered, but if we have cause of complaint against any one, it is the best course to go direct to that person.

It is a cross to do this, but we may talk to some one else about the matter. The Lord will help us, but He needs a word of encouragement. Heads of the Church to-day are fallible. Let us not lose the appreciation of our love for those whom He has given us. We must not allow ourselves to cherish prejudices but bear all kindly, remembering that we are all members of the one church.

We must also guard against being too sensitive. It is difficult to preserve a spirit of love in ourselves if we are always fancying that some one is intending to hurt our feelings. Our ministers have often to suffer from hearing the many remarks made about them, so let us be careful not to criticise them.

Young ministers are sometimes kept back, and do not come forward as they might, on account of undue fault-finding. We ought to discourage criticism of ministers in the family circle.

We see the matter before us, "Love is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil", and we desire to live in accordance with it, but before we are aware, we go astray. Only as the loving spirit of the Lord Jesus dwells in us, can we be entirely kept. "If ye know these things happy are ye, if ye do them."

The Women Friends' Foreign Missionary Society presented their Ninth Annual Report, viz.:-

Report of The Women Friends' Foreign Missionary Society.

To The Yearly Meeting of Women Friends

Held in the [illegible]

	Number of Auxiliaries		Number of Members	
	1892	1893	1892	1893
Rhode Island	7	6	140	116
Salem	5	5	125	116
Sandwich	4	4	69	77
Falmouth	4	4	72	84
Smithfield	2	2	69	43
Vassalboro	3	3	52	61
Dover	1	1	10	7
Fairfield	3	4	67	78
Parsonsfield	2	2	40	43
Total	33	31	644	627

Auxiliaries lost, 2; members lost, 17; life members, 17.

We see by these statistics that while four of our Quarterly Meetings have lost in membership during the year, five have gained. We reiterate the conviction expressed in our last report, that constant stirring up is needed in this line of work, and hope that it may be so arranged this year that each of our auxiliaries may be visited and new ones formed.

There has been no change in our work at Ramallah. We continue to support two teachers, and twenty girls in the Home, receiving valuable aid in this from other Yearly Meeting Boards, and also from individuals outside of our denomination. While no striking instances of conversion are reported in the Training Home, we feel sure that good, strong foundation work is being done, which will tell in future years. In this wonderful day, when the eyes of the Christian world are turned to this land the land of our Blessed Saviour's nativity, the scene of His labors and His sacrifice for us, and Christian hearts are being stirred at the rapid fulfilment of prophecy in regard to God's chosen people, it is good to have a share in the work of giving the Gospel to the benighted people of that land. The teachers in our mission there are full of zeal and interest in the work, as occasional letters testify, and we know that their "labor are not in vain in the Lord." Two very interesting societies have been formed among the girls, the "Peacemakers," and the "Dawn of Day." The

character of the former can be inferred from its title, and the latter is for spiritual culture. They are officered by the children, with Lotta M. Johnston, as Superintendent. Already good results of this work are seen in the daily lives of the children, who are also making marked progress in their studies, and at the same time learning many things in regard to the right ordering of a Christian home. L. M. Johnston, is now able to use the language in her intercourse with the natives.

Through the transfer of Lina B. Hunt from the Iowa to the Kickapoo Station, at her own earnest request, as well as that of Elizabeth Test and others, and also the removal of John F. and Mary A. Murdock to the same mission, the money ~~raised~~ raised for a new house at the Iowa's, which had not been used, owing to difficulty in obtaining a title to the land, is still on interest. A circular letter was, a few months ago, sent to the donors as far as they could be ascertained, except a few who gave quite small sums, asking if they would be willing their gift should be used for the comfort and help of those for whom it was originally intended, by devoting it to permanent improvements at Kickapoo Station. Several responded, kindly acquiescing in such use of it, while no one made any objections. The money therefore will probably be put to that use. The land on which this mission is located, is "set aside to the Society of Friends, for church and mission purposes," which Dr. C. W. Kirk writes, "is really a better title than an allotment could be."

Elizabeth Test speaks of large and solemn meetings with the Kickapoos, sometimes upwards of forty being present, and asks our prayers that the power of the Holy Spirit may come upon them. Lina B. Hunt speaks of the rapid progress made by the children in their studies, and also unites with E. Test's request that we will pray for the Indians, that they may know convicting and converting grace, and also that we will pray for the workers. She says: "It is a wonderful strength

to have our funds withheld by prayer, and the most important thing of all, is the salvation of these two lives." The cost of boarding these Indian children is about $1.50 per week, and for this funds are greatly needed. Through the kindness of the Philadelphia Indian Aid Society, they have been extended to the close of the present month.

Both legal and evangelical work, the two auxiliaries about work done in the distribution of good literature; twelve attend to the detachment of systematic, benevolent giving, and fifteen give some attention to junior and juvenile work. The latter in some instances seems merging into the Christian Endeavor work, and a little confusion seems to prevail with regard to it, which, we trust will right itself in time, if due consideration is manifested.

These three departments are very essential to the successful carrying on of the work, and the fact that our valuable Missionary Advocate is not on a paying basis shows that the Department of General Literature needs to be worked more vigorously. A recent call was issued to the Christian Endeavor Societies throughout our Yearly Meeting asking their help in the matter of extending our list of subscribers. We make no discrimination in regard to one department being more important than another. A revival of interest is needed in each, for obvious reasons.

It is with deep regret we record the fact that only four of our thirty-one auxiliaries observe the first day in the month as a season of special prayer for missions. Is it that we are having so much faith in God, or that we fail to see the need for prayer? Much is said of the reflex influence of prayer. Now it not be that the falling off in our number of auxiliaries and our membership is because we have not given ourselves unto prayer? There may be much machinery, but unless it is oiled by prayer "without ceasing," there will be friction at home and lack of results abroad. The oft-repeated requests that come to us from our missionaries, that we should pray that

the power of the Holy Ghost may fall on them, seems to indicate a look of favor at that end of the line corresponding to the look of prayer at this. It is "Ask and ye shall receive," not "Wait, and look inward and ye shall receive." The latter is not God's way.

The number of public meetings during the year cannot be correctly reported. But from what we have been able to gather Swansea has held two. Newport at last accounts had held three, and was purposing to hold them monthly. Lynn has had two lectures, one of them an illustrated one by Rev. A. A. Williams, who while in Palestine visited Ramallah Mission, also a free-will offering tea, mite-box opening, and a talk by a returned missionary at the close of one of the Quarter's lessons in the Bible School, with several social missionary evenings. Fall River has had several such pleasant occasions, also Portland, South Chin. East Vassalboro, and doubtless many other such meetings have been held. We wish all such meetings could be promptly reported. Amesbury held at least one public meeting, uniting with the Christian Endeavor, and Wide Awake Mission Bands. There is a great increase of interest in attending missionary meetings of other denominations, and also in securing earnest missionary speakers of other denominations to speak to us, which shows a healthful broadening of views and a deepening sympathy in the work of world-wide evangelization. If only all our auxiliaries knew the good resulting from one public meeting, they would surely try it.

The work of our auxiliaries has been mostly limited to Ramallah and the Indian Territory, fields which seem to need all we can do for them.

Boston still supports a little girl in India. Weare, N. H. has extended some help to Jeremiah Hubbard, a little outside help has been given by one auxiliary in Rhode Island District, and some Home Mission work has been done.

We know of no cases where what seem to be wrong methods of raising money have been adopted, but while the minds of our members are fertile in expedients for bringing money into the treasury in ways

that are innocent and attractive we are pleased to see the growing interest in Systematic Benevolence.

Surely a Providence that brought this method of giving before the Christian churches, and gave from out its heart a woman to take the superintendency of this department in the noble Body of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, should grow daily in "this grace" as Paul denominated it, and keep the banner well to the front. For the growth which we already see, we do praise the Lord.

Barrels and boxes of clothing, basks sewing materials, &c., have been sent to our mission stations. Last Third and Fifth well-filled barrels were sent to Elizabeth Test, every article in which she said, was greatly needed.

As we see the needs of the work, and weekly that of the 1,737 women over eighteen years of age in our Yearly Meeting, only 629 are members of the W. F. M. S., we wonder what can be done to induce the 1,108 non-members to unite with us in this blessed service of love for the Master and for perishing souls. If each of the 629 members would win one, women are, during the coming year to join our ranks, how our power and efficiency for service might be increased.

Elizabeth T. Larkin,
Corresponding Secretary.

Report of Superintendent of Literature.

To the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends:

The statistics of this Department, as reported to the Missionary Union in Fifth Month last, covering the year from First Month 1st, 1892 to First Month 1st, 1893, are as follows, viz.:—

No. of Auxiliaries having Libraries	10
" " Without Libraries	23
" " Volumes in Libraries	76
" " Members of the Missionary Union	627
" " Subscribers to the "Missionary Advocate"	207

From this report we see that our list of subscribers to the "Advocate" is smaller than that of last year and

comprises less than a third of our membership. Should there not be as much effort made to enlarge the circulation of this valuable (it might almost be called indispensable) paper, as to enlarge our membership?

The work not only of our auxiliaries, but also the interest and efficiency of our individual members depends very much on the regular and careful reading of this organ of our Missionary Society.

During the last year there have been sent to the Local Superintendents of Literature, throughout the Yearly Meeting, 309 leaflets or over 3000 pages of reading matter. These have embraced a variety of subjects, including the work and the needs of the workers in different mission fields, and also such as were calculated to enforce upon every one the duty and privilege of having a share in the work.

Respectfully submitted.

Susan Peckham

General Superintendent of Literature

Portland, Sixth Month 12th. 1893.

Report Of Superintendent Of Systematic Giving,

To The Yearly Meeting of Women Friends.

In making a report from this department, your Superintendent has been greatly hindered by the difficulty of collecting statistics.

No report has been received from Parsonsfield Quarterly Meeting this year, and none was received last year, though some figures were taken then from the report of the Corresponding Secretary. In another Quarterly Meeting, containing five auxiliaries, only two reported to the Quarterly Meeting Vice-President.

In another Quarterly Meeting, having three auxiliaries each reported several in the practice of Systematic Giving. Not knowing how many to reckon for several, it was necessary to take only the accounts of those auxiliaries which gave a definite number.

Some auxiliaries reported the number not known, as the person collecting the statistics did not like to

[illegible] no [illegible] practice in this respect. The number actually reported is only fifty-three less than half the number in last year's report, the number reported by Parsonsfield to the Corresponding Secretary having been included at that time. It does not seem, from the other facts given in the reports, that the interest has decreased, but simply that the numbers have not been ascertained, and handed in. It is suggested that the person charged with collecting these statistics should take the opportunity at some meeting of the auxiliary to ask all in the practice of Systematic Giving, to hand them their names on a slip of paper, as it is necessary to send the exact number as nearly as possible to the W. F. M. S. This plan would obviate the necessity of personal questions, and would relieve those refraining from the embarrassment of a public announcement." It is hoped that some such plan will be adopted next year and that the statistics will be prompt and full. There seems to be little change in the modes of raising money. One auxiliary reports that several pledged themselves to earn each a dollar during the year.

Several public meetings have also been held in the interest of Mission work, and we trust that the next year will show an advance both in the activity of our auxiliaries, and in the fulness of our reports.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah P. Atherton,
Superintendent of Systematic Giving.

Portland, Me., Sixth Month 12th, 1873

Report of Treasurer of Women's Foreign Missionary Society.

Women's Foreign Missionary Society of New England
Yearly Meeting in account with Hannah J. Bailey,

Treasurer.

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4th. Mo	To balance from last year belonging to the Indian Mission Building Fund		$42 73
	Amount refunded to Building Fund which had been borrowed last year	$94 87	
	Sale for amount invested last year and drawing interest for Building Fund	~~250 00~~ 250 00	
	Amount received for Building Fund during the year	138 58	
	Bible School collections	192 34	
	Indiana W. F. M. S., Anna Roberts, Treasurer.	115 00	
	East Farnham W. F. M. S., Canada	48 75	
	Trustees of the Permanent Fund	26 00	
	Eliza C. Armstrong	10 00	
	Collection at public meeting at Newport	70 50	
	A. Friend	5 00	
	Cash	1 00	
	Cora I. Steere	5 00	
	Mite box collection	1 00	
	A Friend, for E. Fest	2 00	
	Edward L. Farr, for Ramallah Building Fund	100 00	
	Iowa W. F. M. S., Mary I. Thomas, Treasurer	325 00	
	Children's Band, Pasadena, Cal.	5 00	
	New Providence, Ia.	5 00	
	Springdale, Ia	5 00	
	Mary C. Hawkes	5 00	
	Emeline C. Myers	5 00	
	Loans from banks and individuals	670 00	
	Mary I. Thomas, Treasurer Iowa W. F. M. S.	10 00	
	Gideon Gifford	5 00	
	Lynn Auxiliary, for a special object	2 70	
	Lynn Young Woman's Auxiliary	5 00	
	Kansas W. F. M. S., per M. A. Brown, Cor. Sec.	25 00	
	Sarah J. Swift	15 00	
	Etta Hawkes	5 00	
	Lizzie Pudy	1 50	2149 24
Amount carried forward.			$2191 97

Amount brought forward $2,212.17

4th. Mo. Christian Endeavor Mission Band
of Friends School, Providence, R. I. 65.50

Theda S. Aydelott and others collected for
Kickapoo Mission house 47.50

To amount received from auxiliaries and
juvenile Bands as

Rhode Island Quarter	561 16	
Salem Quarter	329 04	
Sandwich Quarter	150 98	
Falmouth Quarter	305 59	
Smithfield Quarter	248 10	
Vassalboro Quarter	103 10	
Dover Quarter	27 70	
Fairfield Quarter	357 00	
Parsonsfield Quarter	53 50	2,248 67

One Life membership 20 00

Total $4,460 64

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4th Mo. Paid salaries of Missionaries to the
Indians $600 00

Paid for benefit of Indian missions
for necessaries other than salaries 224 04

Paid Eli and Sybil Jones Mission for
support of scholars and teachers 1,720 00

Paid Superintendent of literature
department 5 00

Paid Treasurer of Ramallah Building Fund 100 00

Paid tuition of day scholars at Ramallah 45 00

Paid Treasurer Iowa W. F. M. S., for
Jamaica Mission 2 36

Paid legal advice and corporation
expenses 32 00

Paid taxes this and last year 76 87

Paid discount on note 5 25

Paid printing postage, etc. 12 63

Paid papers sent to Ramallah 4 00

Paid Friends Orphanage in India 50 00

Paid Ellen C. Wright, Treasurer
W. F. M. Union 19.32 $3,584.47

Amount carried forward $3,584 47

Amount brought forward		$3,584 47
4th Mo. Paid expenses of public meeting at Newport	12 00	
Paid Mary G. Winslow, Trustee	20 00	
Paid investments for Indian Mission Building Fund	500 00	
Balance due Mission Building Fund	26 18	
		558 18
Amount on hand 4th Mo. 1st, 1893		317 99
		$4,460 64

I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct.

M. Augusta Bailey, Auditor.

Note.— We have received $202 55, from the children's bands. Winthrop, Woonsocket, and Durham take the lead. The Winthrop Band supports one scholar in the Training Home at Ramallah. The Christian Endeavor Mission Band, at Friends School in Providence, supports one child at the Mission. It is very encouraging that our children and also the young people in our schools are becoming thus early interested in this work. Local treasurers reports have been received from Durham, Lewiston, Portsmouth, Providence, Boston, Amesbury, Lynn, Newport, Fall River, Swansea, Salem, and North Weare. The most of these accounts have been carefully and skilfully kept, and are encouraging. It appears by them that more than $200 worth of needed articles have been sent to Indian Territory by these auxiliaries. Most of the funds sent to our Treasury have been obtained by hard and persistent effort. Only about $100 came by free will offerings.

Portland Auxiliary has even outdone its former good record. One of its members who is a "shut-in", not able to get to any of its meetings, has, by her mental planning and the labor of her hands, brought $37 into the treasury, and still there is more to follow by her effort.

The following are Life Members:—

Elizabeth T. Larkin. Ruth S. Murray.
Hannah J. Bailey. Emeline H. Tuttle.

Caroline Alice Jones.
Mary R. Osborne.
Hannah B. Farr.
Huldah H. Leighton.
Henrietta H. Hamilton.
Anna G. Wood.
Ellen H. Buffum.
Lydia E. Sawyer.
Mary H. Robinson.
Phebe S. Aydelott.
Mary E. Gifford.
Sarah J. Swift.
Mary S. Macomber.

Respectfully submitted,
Hannah J. Bailey,
Treasurer.

Portland, Me., Sixth Month 12th, 1893.

As the labors of the Committee, in the various departments of their extended work, have passed in review before us in the reading of their Report, we have been deeply interested, and trust that the Lord will continue to bless and enlarge their service for Him.

The following-named friends have been appointed as officers of the Society for the ensuing year:—

President — Phebe S. Aydelott, 70 Rock Street, Fall River, Mass.
Vice Presidents at large — Myra E. Frye, Woodford's, Me.; Susan S. Thompson Grove Street New Bedford, Mass.
Corresponding Secretary — Elizabeth S. Larkin, 72 Central Street, Peabody, Mass.
Recording Secretary — Alice W. Mansfield, Amesbury, Mass.
Treasurer — Hannah J. Bailey, Winthrop Centre, Me.

Trustees of The Permanent Fund.

For one year — S. Caroline Tobey, 67 Angell Street, Providence, R. I.
For two years — Anna M. Pore, Seabrook, N. H.
For three years — Mary G. Winslow, Winthrop Centre, N. H.

Auditors.

Fannie H. Reader, 634 Warren Street, Boston, Mass.
M. Augusta Batley, Providence, R. I.

Quarterly Meeting Vice-Presidents

Rhode Island — Alice C. Earle, Fiskeville, R. I.
Salem — Anna M. Gove, Seabrook, N. H.
Sandwich — Elizabeth A. Gifford, Adamsville, R. I.
Smithfield — Sarah J. Swift, 22 Oak Avenue, Worcester, Mass.
Dover — Almira B. Buffum, North Berwick, Me.
Falmouth — Miriam C. Webber, Lisbon Falls, Me.
Vassalboro — Eliza P. Pierce, East Vassalboro, Me.
Fairfield — Phebe M. Wadsworth, Augusta, Me.
Parsonsfield — Dora C. Eastland, N. Sandwich, N. H.

Superintendents of Departments.

Proportionate and Systematic Giving — Deborah P. Atherton, Uxbridge, Mass.
Literature — Susan Peckham, 27 Cushing Street, Providence
Junior and Juvenile Work. — Sarah D. Brown, 22 Highland Street, Amesbury, Mass.

Boy Committee.

Chairman — Guilelma C. Wood, 31 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.
Mary B. Johnston, 469 Cumberland Street, Portland, Me.
Olive H. Weeks, Friends' School, Providence, R. I.

We adjourn to meet in joint session at four o'clock this afternoon.

Third-Day afternoon

The following request has been received from Falmouth Quarterly Meeting, viz, —

"This meeting is united in asking the Yearly Meeting, that the Quarterly Meeting which is now held at Portland, Me., in the First Month be held at Lewiston on the seventh day following the last Sixth day in the First Month, at 10 A. M., and also the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight be held at Lewiston the day previous at 2 P. M. This Meeting after duly considering the changes asked for, are united in granting the request.

The Committee to whom was referred the request from

Salem Quarterly Meeting presented the following report for consideration to the Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to furnish Salem Quarterly Meeting with a copy of said report.

The report is as follows:—

That there is sufficient law and discipline already provided. Also that Monthly Meetings have the power to settle with Trustees and Trustees, and treat the custody of their funds to either.

That all disbursements are to be under the direction of the Monthly Meeting.

We recommend that Trustees recognize that they are servants of the Monthly Meeting.

On behalf of the Committee,
Augustine Jones.
William Thompson.

Portland, Me., Sixth Month 12th. 1893.

Minute from the Meeting for Sufferings and Oversight

To The Yearly Meeting;

We have at this time entered into a consideration of the Pastoral Question; it has called forth a full expression of thought, with a wide variety of opinions, but marked with an earnest desire for the essential and permanent welfare and progress of our religious society, under the leading of the Great Shepherd. It has clearly been brought before us that there is a need of greater pastoral care and work, recognizing that it is the office of the church, as Christ's stewardship, to be instrumental in the salvation of souls and in bringing them to a "knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ."

It is the feeling of this Meeting that there is a need of greater personal responsibility on the part of our ministers, elders, and overseers, for the full performance of the great work for which they have been called of God and set apart by the Church.

It is further the sense of the meeting that the care and work we ask, if those on whom the care should rest shall, from entirely faithful to the great charge,

and they are enjoined to a complete submission to the Great Head of the Church for loving and faithful service in caring for the flock.

Rufus M. Jones, Clerk.

The Committee entrusted with the concern of this Meeting for the improvement of the Freedmen of the South presented the following very interesting and satisfactory report which is accepted by the Meeting, and is as follows, viz.:—

Report Of The Committee On Freedmen.

To The Yearly Meeting:

Our School at Maryville, Tenn., the past year has been favored to hold on in its work by means of the Yearly Meeting's appropriation, and the substantial sympathy of contributors who made the envelope offerings a little larger. These were supplemented by a timely gift of one hundred dollars to the primary department by a member of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting. We are yet unable to get along without the continued help of the Yearly Meeting, and that of loving friends who have so kindly considered our situation the last year.

We desire an appropriation of Five Hundred Dollars ($500) by the Yearly Meeting with the understanding that it will not be called for unless needed. The sale of ten acres of land, on the side of our tract farthest from the road in front, secures to our Principal and her family the prospect of a home near the Institution, where for so many years her deep interest and Christian zeal for the good work of spiritual and intellectual training has been exercised.

Our Annual Report is presented herewith.

On behalf of the Committee,
Robert F. Tifford, Secretary.

The same Committee of last year is re-appointed to that service the ensuing year. Five hundred dollars requested through the envelopes.

Annual Report of the Friends Boarding Institute.
Waynesville, Tennessee, For the Year 1892-3

Number of days taught	188
Number enrolled	219
Percent of attendance	84.7
Number of boarders in the building	71
Number of teachers in the training class.	98
Number graduated in the elementary course	3

The interest manifested in the different departments of the school, by the students throughout the year has been most encouraging. The exercises of the B. J. Knowles Literary Society show a marked improvement and appreciation of literary attainment.

Our Sabbath school and meetings for worship have been well attended, the average attendance being about one hundred and thirty.

We have endeavored to conduct the meetings according to the custom of the Society of Friends, causing each member to feel a personal responsibility thereby developing much spiritual interest.

The great need among this people is to help them to help themselves, and in this we have been greatly encouraged by the spiritual and material encouragement of the Yearly Meeting.

L. H. Garner. Principal.

Eighth Month 3d. 1893.

Financial Statement
Receipts

Augustine Jones, Trustee of the George Lunge Fund	$1,450 00
" " H. C. Camp Fund.	130 00
" " B. J. Knowles Fund	9 00
From the Yearly Meeting Association	300 00
From collection in Homer's Yearly Meeting 1892 Fund.	41 [illegible]
From a member of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting	10 00
From sales of Real Estate	562 00
Contributed and from the Monthly Meetings	203 [illegible]
Other donations	1 93
	$2,997 67

Expenditures

Paid E. H. Painter, principal, on the wages account of last year $342 00

Paid for repairs on buildings and fence 262 00

Paid for school expenses the past year 943 67

Paid for aid to students from the George Stuart Fund, Fall Term 361 85

Paid for aid to students from the George Stuart Fund, Spring Term 1,088 15

$2.997 67

To the Committee

Robert P. Gifford, Treasurer.

The delegates to the Indianapolis Conference present the following report:—

Report Of Delegates To The Indianapolis Conference.

To New England Yearly Meeting:

Dear Friends,— Of the delegates appointed to attend the General Conference at Indianapolis, Augustine Jones and Ruth S. Murray were unable to attend, and their places were supplied by Piney J. Reader and Deborah P. Atherton, who had been appointed as alternates

The delegation thus completed attended every session of the Conference, observing and considering its proceedings, and participating in such ways as truth seemed to require.

From the beginning to the close of the Conference, the owning presence of the great Head of the Church was sweetly realized.

One hundred and five delegates were in attendance, representing ten American Yearly Meetings.

The Conference of 1887 having given its attention chiefly to the consideration of Christian doctrine, it was agreed that the present Conference should take up questions in relation to church work.

The following subjects were successively presented by the business committee and freely discussed:—

The participation of Friends in the Congress of Religions to be held in Chicago.

Our Literature; including our Periodicals

The Conduct of Meetings for Worship & the Maintenance of the Ministry, (this subject embracing the Pastoral Question)

The Collection and Preservation of Historical Records.

Uniformity of Discipline for the Yearly Meetings of America.

Changing the name of the Society of Friends.

One Board of Foreign Missions for all the Yearly Meetings.

The Duty of our Church to our Cities.

During the animated and often very earnest discussion of these interesting subjects, brotherly kindness and courtesy prevailed; little or nothing occurring at any time which could be said to be at variance with the spirit of true Christian fellowship.

We are united in the belief that the Conference could not fail to promote in a high degree the unity of the Society of Friends, to deepen the sense of its responsibility and its privileges and to increase its efficiency in the various forms of service.

We submit herewith, as part of our report, the summary of conclusions printed by authority of the Conference.

(Printed conclusions were then read.)

Three of the above-mentioned subjects were to be severally presented to the different Yearly Meetings by the Delegates, viz.:—

"Our Literature, or a Friends' Publishing House, and one Periodical as the organ of the Society.

One Foreign Mission Board for all the Yearly Meetings and the Collecting and Preservation of Historical Records.

Signed: William F. Pinkham.
J. Warren Hawkes.
Olney T. Meader.
Deborah P. Atherton.

The report is satisfactory, and the subjects above referred to, viz.: Our Literature and One Board of Foreign Missions are referred for consideration to the Representative Meeting; and the subject of the collecting and preserving Historical Records is also referred to the Representative Meeting with power to act on our behalf.

Report of the Delegates to Wilmington Yearly Meeting Ohio.

A large number of the members of the three Quarterly Meetings composing Wilmington Yearly Meeting met in a tent provided for the purpose on the grounds of Wilmington College, at ten o'clock on the morning of Eighth Month 20th, 1892. And after a season of devotion, the Yearly Meeting was opened by the appointment of clerks and the reading of the Minutes of Indiana Yearly Meeting establishing it.

Delegates were present representing every one of the Yearly Meetings with which we correspond.

The sessions of the new Yearly Meeting were generally held with befitting dignity and solemnity; and altogether the opening seemed to be auspicious and under the Divine favor and blessing.

David J. Douglas.
Phebe S. Aydelott.

The Committee to whom was referred the request from Falmouth Quarterly Meeting of last year, found in Minute 35 of the Minutes of 1892, made the following report which is satisfactory to the Meeting, viz.:—

The Committee to whom was referred the request from Falmouth Quarterly Meeting respecting the definite recognition and acknowledgment of a greater variety of spiritual gifts than heretofore, are united in judgment that the time has not come for the recommendation of any change in relation to this subject.

On behalf of the Committee,
William P. Pinkham.

A report from the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor has been received and read.

We are glad to read this report from our young people, and rejoice in their thus identifying themselves with their older friends in the work of the Church endeavoring to promote the coming of Christ's kingdom in the hearts of the people.

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In making this our second annual report we would present it with a full feeling of gratitude that the King's work in our behalf has [illegible].

During the year our organizer, Frank E. Jones, has been laboring in the vineyard of the Lord and seven new societies have been organized as follows, viz.:—
Hallowell, N. Albany, Quincy, Pittsfield, North Vassalboro, Central Village, and Taylorville, making a total membership of five hundred and seventy-seven active members and one hundred and forty-seven associate members. Of those who were not already Friends forty-nine have requested during the year for membership.

Our largest society is at Friends' Boarding School at Providence, consisting of sixty-one Active members and thirty-three Associate members of whom thirty-three are Friends.

A special branch of our work is the Junior Society. We have a society at Lynn with a membership of thirty-six and one at Somerset with a membership of twenty. There is probably no one form of effort that will accomplish more good than this organization among the children.

While a responsibility rests upon each Active member for the growth of the spiritual life of our society, the members of the Prayer-meeting and Lookout Committees should be sustained by our prayers and words of sympathy, for upon them rests especially the preparation for our prayer-meetings and the seeking of those who are not accustomed to attend places of worship.

If we seek the salvation of these souls, keeping our motto, "For Christ and the Church", ever in view we shall be blessed and our labors rewarded.

May the Lord bless our efforts in this work during the coming year.

George L. Crosman, President
Jennie L. Lothrop, Secretary.

The Committee for a New Method of Raising Funds have presented their report which has been considered and the following recommendations approved, viz.:—

See page 132

The Committee appointed to consider the duties of the Finance Committee, in relation to our present system of raising funds, recommend that the "Plan for Christian Giving" as shown on page 53 of the Minutes of 1892 be adopted with the following amendments, viz.:

The closing paragraph of the section headed "Duties of the Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance shall read as follows: "The Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance, composed of one man and one woman from each Quarterly Meeting shall organize by the appointment of one of its members as Financial Secretary. It shall issue as early as the first of Seventh Month of each year a general Circular Letter," etc, and the closing paragraph of same section shall read, "It shall be the duty of the Financial Secretary to keep in correspondence with the Clerks and Treasurers of the Monthly Meetings, and also with the Treasurers of the several standing committees who are receiving offerings through the envelopes, and forward to every Monthly Meeting on the first of the Tenth, First, and Fourth Months following the issue of the general Circular Letter, a statement of the financial condition of each object for which funds are desired with any need that may exist." (In this way, Monthly Meetings will receive such information as they need and will be quickened to greater faithfulness in raising money and promptness in forwarding it to the respective Treasurers.)

We also propose that the Financial Secretary be allowed to draw upon the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting for expenses incurred, for stationery, postage, type-writing, etc., in a sum not exceeding $25.00

The Clerk was directed to furnish "Slips" containing the Plan as revised for the use of our subordinate meetings.

A Plan For Christian Giving.

The necessity of system in Christian giving is very generally recognized, and together with the principle of proportionate giving, have their warrant in the

words of Scripture: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come." (1 Cor. 16. 2.) "The tenth shall be holy unto the Lord." (Lev. 27. 32.) "Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required." (Luke 12. 48.)

We believe there are many among us who may be stewards of blessings not yet known, whom quickened by the Gospel teaching, "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. 9. 7.)

The Mosaic standard relating to tithes and offerings for the Lord's work was not lost sight of by the early Christian Church, but rather did the ancient system of giving receive a new impulse when they sat under the power of that sacrifice which was the offering of Himself once for all."

1 Duties of Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance.

The Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance, composed of one man and one woman from each Quarterly Meeting, shall organize by the appointment of one of its members as Financial Secretary. It shall issue, as early as the first of Seventh Month of each year, a general circular letter to our members containing a statement of the several amounts which are necessary to be raised for Yearly Meeting expenses (including obligations which may have been assumed, and for the charitable and benevolent objects under its care, these latter amounts having been specified in the annual reports to the Yearly Meeting by the respective committees, and are to be provided for by the free-will offerings of our members.

The Circular Letter shall also embody such other items of interest and advice relating to finances as may have claimed the attention of the Yearly Meeting, and shall give such directions about the use of the envelopes as may seem to be required. It shall contain suitable blanks in which to enter, if desired, an estimate of Monthly and Preparative Meeting expenses with the individual abbotionments. The following form is recommended:

The amount which..... Monthly Meeting has directed to be raised to meet expenses the ensuing year including its quota of yearly and monthly stock, is $.....

Quota of the above amount for . . . . . Preparative Meeting, $
Current expenses for Preparative Meeting $
Total . . . . . $
My proportion of the above amount is about . . . . . per mo

Treasurer.

It shall be the duty of the Financial Secretary to keep in correspondence with the clerks and treasurers of the Monthly Meetings and also with the treasurers of the several standing committees who are receiving offerings through the envelopes, and forward to every Monthly Meeting on the first of the Tenth, First and Fourth Months following the issue of the general Circular Letter, a statement of the financial condition of each object for which funds are desired with any need that may exist. In this way Monthly Meetings will receive such information as they need, and will be quickened to greater faithfulness in raising money, and promptness in forwarding it to the respective treasurers.

2 Duties of Monthly Meetings and their Finance Committee

In each Monthly Meeting a Committee on Finance representing each Preparative Meeting within its limits, shall be annually appointed after the official communication is received from the Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance.

This committee shall assist the treasurer of the Monthly Meeting in the apportionment and collection of all funds required for meeting expenses, and in receiving and forwarding all free-will offerings that may be contributed toward the objects named in the Circular Letter.

When a Monthly Meeting consists of more than one Preparative Meeting, the treasurer of the Monthly Meeting shall designate one member of the Finance Committee for each Preparative Meeting, to have charge of its receipts and disbursements, who shall report the same annually to the Preparative Meeting if desired, and also to the treasurer of the Monthly Meeting.

The treasurer shall make an index in his book of entry of those who may be donors, giving each a

number, and when members of one family prefer to be indexed under one number, the treasurer may adapt his record to such choice.

He shall, with the aid of the Finance Committee, number twelve envelopes for monthly offerings from each, writing the index number at the upper left-hand corner; and with the envelopes, each donor shall be given a copy of the Circular Letter after filling in the proper blanks.

As the envelopes return from the donors, the treasurer shall enter the items in the cash book, stating the number of envelope and name of month when payment is made, with the respective amounts in the proper columns, and shall forward the totals to the respective treasurers of committees, having in charge the work for which the money is specifically given.

These remittances shall be made quarterly or as often as shall best suit the needs of the working committee.

3 Duties of Individual Members.

Each member who is able to do so is desired to enclose in the envelope, monthly contributions toward the item "Meeting Expenses" as apportioned by the finance committee, but if preferred the amount may be paid proportionately semi-annually or annually. He is also earnestly entreated to contribute free-will offerings for any or all the other objects named in the Circular Letter, as may be consistent with his duty to God as a steward of property entrusted to him, being careful always to give an honest reply to the query, "How much owest thou unto my Lord"?

If the donor has no choice how his offerings shall be apportioned, the amount may be placed against the item, "General Fund," and Finance Committee of the Monthly Meeting will distribute it among the objects named as in its judgment seems best.

Contributions from the Monthly Meetings Towards Benevolent Objects of The Yearly Meeting.

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting

Monthly Meetings	Gospel Work	Foreign Missions	Western Indians	Freedmen	Bible Schools	Temperance	Education	Peace	Total
Rhode Island	$11 15	$ 9 00	—	$3 25	$ 13 00	—	—	—	$51 40
Greenwich ...	—	5 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	15 00
Swansea	155 75	151 60	36 30	27 15	23 85	14 05	$3 55	$3 55	415 80
Providence	2 00	48 00	51 50	41 50	3 50	8 50		5 00	160 00
South Kingston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Salem Quarterly Meeting

Salem	$55 98	$66 66	$32 45	$ 8 39	$25 70	$5 05	$1 67	$1 68	$197 78
Amesbury	12 75	2 50	19 00	14 50	4 25	7 50	—	10 50	71 00
Weare	5 25	25 00	—	4 00	3 00	3 25	—	5 00	45 50
Boston	25 00	—	—	—	—	—	5 00	—	30 00

Sandwich Quarterly Meeting

Sandwich Mass	$ 7 25	$26 00	$26 00	$15 00	—	—	—	—	$74 25
Dartmouth	4 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4 00
Westport	10 00	7 00	20 00	5 00	$5 00	5 00	—	—	52 00
New Bedford	—	16 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	16 00

Falmouth Quarterly Meeting

Falmouth	$44 50	$44 00	$29 95	$5 00	$9 50	$5 00	$3 60	$3 00	$144.45
Durham	12 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12 00
Windham	8 64	—	—	—	5 38	—	—	—	14 02
Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

Smithfield Quarterly Meeting

Smithfield	$14 00	$16 00	$15 00	$8 50	$15 00	$6 25	—	$3 00	$77 75
Uxbridge	18 00	125 00	91 00	38 00	10 00	13 00	—	5 00	300 00
Bolton	5 00	10 00	—	—	5 54	1 50	—	—	22 04

Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting

Vassalboro	$29 32	$12 50	—	—	$12 05	—	—	—	53 87
China	22 00	7 21	$2 10	$1 00	—	—	—	—	32 81
Unity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Maple Grove	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Monthly Meetings	Gospel Work	Foreign Missions	Western Indians	Freedmen	Bible Schools	Temperance	Education	Peace	Total
Dover Quarterly Meeting									
Dover	$12 00	$13 00	$14 00	$2 25	$3 00	—	—	$3 00	$49 25
Barnwick	5 00	15 00	1 00	—	3 00	—	—	15 00	39 00
Fairfield Quarterly Meeting									
Sidney	—	$5 00	—	—	$1 50				$6 50
Winthrop	$7 50	—	$12 45	$30.00	—	$30 79	$2 50	$15 50	$98 74
N. Albion	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Parsonsfield Quarterly Meeting									
Sandwich, N. H.	—	$15 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	$15 00
Parsonsfield	$7 25	13 00	—	—	$5 00				25 25
Total ..	$474 34	$642 47	$350 75	$203 74	$150 27	$114 89	$16.22	$70 23	$2,022 91
Reported last year									$1,771 90
Increase									$ 251 01

This Meeting is united in appointing one woman Friend from each Quarterly Meeting to serve on the Finance Committee of the Yearly Meeting, and the women representatives are requested to present to a future session the name of suitable Friends for this service.

The Records of the Representative Meeting were now read and approved.

This Meeting accepts the Charter as amended in the Legislature of Maine in the session of 1892.

The request of Sarah A. Holmes that this Yearly Meeting reconsider its decision in her case of appeal from a decision of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting in 1885, is not granted, and the Clerk is directed to inform her of our action.

The Committee on Temperance presented their report, which was as follows:—

Report of Committee on Temperance.

To The Yearly Meeting.

Although some have not been able to do as much as they wished because of sickness, absence from home,

and various circumstances, yet some good service has been done we trust; We could have done more had our financial resources been greater.

At a social meeting of the Committee at Lynn, the "Temperance Theses" were adopted, and three hundred and fifty copies have been printed and distributed.

Many have labored for individuals and some of the labor we know has been with good results, the credit of which is given to the Lord. Nearly all of our Sabbath schools take up the "Temperance Lesson" each quarter, and we firmly believe that the most fruitful field of service is among the youth. The triple pledge cards, also W. C. T. U. pledge cards, have been distributed with good results.

Most of the women on the Committee are members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and have found there a wider field of service. Several members have given temperance instruction in public schools.

We have not ceased to wield one of the most potent influences in any form, — literature. Three Quarterly Meetings have not made any demands for literature.

All orders have been filled promptly. The following have been given out:—

	Pages.
Tracts, leaflets, hand bills	15,000
Books	400
Papers, Youth's Temperance Stories, "Our Young Folks" and "Youth's Temperance Banner."	6,480
Picture Cards	150
Triple Pledge Cards	130
W. C. T. U. Pledge Cards	50

Total 330 cards, 22,480 pages of literature. Two thousand copies of two leaflets on "Social Purity" prepared by Elizabeth J. Larkin, are on hand for distribution.

One from Rhode Island Quarter reports that temperance work has been taken up with gospel service which was much blessed. At Central Village a class of children meet twice each month

[illegible] how [illegible] dreadful practice. Another at New Bedford has inaugurated a Temperance Room in which the speakers are to be in the tobacco habit, temperance, and kindred subjects. At Rathbinett a monthly temperance meeting has been held. Temperance addresses have been held at Boston and Lowell. One report from [illegible] Temperance subjects.

Another of our number has addressed a county convention of workers in which their work with good success. One has had special charge of fighting the liquor power at the ballot box, and arranged for the only no license meeting of that place. One from Manchester, N. H. has given out 4800 pages of illustrated papers at the State Reform School, besides giving regularly to two public reading-rooms, County Jail, City Farm, House of Correction, County Farm, State Reformatory, Home for Women, and helped to sell [illegible] rail-road passenger stations. From Superintendent of Lectures' report we find fifty lectures and addresses have been given, several temperance sermons preached, and a few public meetings held, of which eleven have been in connection with Quarterly Meetings. One of these lectures by Margarett B. Ellis of New Jersey, was given at Oak Grove Seminary. We gratefully note the services of Mary E. Gleason of Boston, and would quote the following from the commendable report given in the Household Guide: "It was a large meeting that gathered to hear Mary E. Gleason answer the question, 'Who is responsible?' and for an hour an audience of three hundred were held almost spellbound." Arrangements have been made for William G. Ireland, of Ohio, to address our public meeting at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary H. Robinson,
Secretary.

This report shows that an earnest effort is being made to arouse the great evil of intemperance, and our citizens are enjoined to act as a unit against the enemy. We desire that all may feel their individual responsibility at home, in daily life, and at the ballot box, always aiming at National Prohibition.

Committee on Temperance in account with
Fred H. Hawkes, Treasurer.

Receipts

From Treasurer of last year	$35.51
The Monthly Meetings	129 67
Total	$165 18

Expenditures

For Lectures, Literature, Printing, etc	$165 18

The concern of this Meeting in relation to an appeal to the Congress of the United States through our New England Senators and Representatives for the repeal of the "Chinese Exclusion Act," so called, is referred for consideration to our next Representative Meeting.

Adjourned to meet in separate session.

Fourth-Day Morning, the 14th.

Met in separate session near ten o'clock.

Epistles were presented and read addressed to our dear sisters of Dublin, London, Canada, Baltimore and from the several Yearly Meetings, which met the approval of this Meeting.

The Report of the Trustees of the Mosher Fund has been read and accepted in concurrence with Men Friends.

Report of the Trustees of the Mosher Fund.
To the Yearly Meeting.

Income received during the year	$500.00
Paid to J. Elwood Page, Treasurer of the Corporation, to distribute the income of the Fund,	$500 00

The fund is invested as follows:—

One City of Pawtucket Registered 5% Bond	$10,000 00
Mechanics' Institution for Savings	950 87
Agricultural Institution for Savings	2,272 51
	13,223 38

Interest accumulated interest on the above-named Savings Bank deposits has not yet been collected.

Lewis Dana.
Henry A. Keach,

Pawtucket, R.I., Fifth Month 12, 1873

The auditing committee have performed their whole which has been required, and in unity with the Yearly Meeting's direction the Treasurer of Lewis F. Dimond for Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting, Lewis H. Chace, for Treasurer of the Providence School Funds, and Jacob C. Briggs, for Treasurer of the Funds of Old Stone Seminary.

Report of the Auditing Committee.

To the Yearly Meeting.

Receipts

Balance from last year	$2,545 83
Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting	410 00
Salem " "	300 00
Sandwich " "	400 00
Falmouth " "	171 41
Smithfield " "	120 00
Pawtucket " "	115 00
Dover " "	20 00
Scituate " "	240 00
Providence " "	4 10
Old Stone Seminary	23 00
Dividends and interest	84 24
	$4,653 58

Expenditures.

Exp. expenses of Yearly Meeting to Newport	$ 459 81
" " " Committee on Location of Meeting House	97 45
Expenses of Friend from the Indian Territory	75 00
" " Safe Deposit Box	5 00
Interest	31 81
Printing	396 77
Recording	65 00
On principal (Oak Grove Note)	500 00
Interest on	125 00
(Bal. due on note, Eighth Month 14th. 1892, $2,000.00)	
Executive Committee on Western Indians	525 00
Repairs on Yearly Meeting House at Newport	143 77
Expenses of two delegates to Wilmington Yearly Meeting	119 91
Expenses of Five delegates to Indianapolis Conference.	333 45
Indianapolis Conference Assessment	82 15
Incidentals	24 57
Expressage, postage and stationery	22 55
Committee on Freedmen	500 00
Balance now in Treasurer's hands	1,145 84
	$ 4,653.07

Income of the Boston Meeting House Fund.

Balance last year	$ 2,144 77	
Received for coupons	450 00	
" " interest on Savings Bank deposit	91 56	
		$ 2,686 33

Payments.

Rent of Wesleyan Hall	$ 350.00	
Balance on hand	2,336.33	
		$ 2,686 33

We find the accounts correctly cast and properly vouched, & recommend that the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500.00) be raised for the use of the Meeting for the ensuing year, and nominate Samuel R. Buffington for Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting, Samuel E.

Funds.

By direction of the Committee

(signed) Owen Lamb.

Portland Sixth Month 12th, 1893

The Committee appointed to [illegible] on Temperance which were approved in concurrence

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Joseph H. Meader.	[illegible]
Marquette Bailey.	Mary H. Robinson.
Miriam Hall.	Henry H. Hurd.
Mary Almy Chase.	Elizabeth T. Hurd.
Estella L. Macomber.	Leslie C. Meader.
Susan F. Boyle.	Caroline H. Tuttle.
Mary S. Bayliss.	Albert H. Frances.
Elisha I. Read.	Hannah J. Bailey.
Jennie Allyn.	Leslie C. Meader.
Lucia B. Holden.	Lucia A. Kimball.

Organization Of Temperance Committee

Chairman, Joseph H. Meader, 56 Olney Street, Providence, R.I.
Secretary, Mary S. Robinson, South Dartmouth, Mass.
Treasurer, Elisha I. Read, Woonsocket, R.I.
Supt. of Literature, Mary Almy Chase, Box 124 Manchester, N.H.
Supt. of Lectures, Hannah J. Bailey, [illegible] Center, Me.

Executive Committee

Joseph H. Meader.	Susan F. Boyle.
Mary H. Robinson.	Mary Almy Chase.
Elisha I. Read.	Caroline H. Tuttle.

We unite with the Yearly Meeting in its appointment of Friends to constitute a Representative Meeting for the ensuing year.

The Committee on Finance have presented a report which has been accepted. We unite with it recommending with the exception of the paragraph proposing

the Indians, in the Discipline, of the Friends in relation to Divisions existing, which subject is referred till our next Yearly Meeting.

The Representatives from the Quarterly Meetings, to whom was referred the nomination of a Committee on Finance, have presented the names of Friends which have been approved in concurrence.

Committee on Finance

Rhode Island, Samuel B. Buffington, Alice S. Aydelott.
Salem, Lewis Dunn, Anna C. Dove
Sandwich, John C. Taylor, Susan T. Thompson.
Falmouth, Charles H. Jones, Myra E. Frye.
Smithfield, Isaac Mowry, Sarah J. Wright.
Vassalboro, William H. Jones, Emily S. Brooks.
Dover, William C. Tuttle, Phebe B. Burgum.
Fairfield, Joseph E. Briggs, Hannah T. Bailey.
Parsonsfield, Silas C. Hanscom, Melissa S. Dearborn.

Financial Secretary.
Alice S. Aydelott, 70 Rock Street, Fall River, Mass.

They also report that they have considered the request of Falmouth and Fairfield Quarters in regard to the place of holding our Yearly Meeting and are united in judgment that the next Yearly Meeting should be held at Newport, without making any provision for the future, which was concurred in by the Meeting.

The Committee appointed last year on the subject of Social Purity has presented the following report which has claimed our careful consideration.

We still feel the need of earnest labor in this direction and commit the work to the same Committee who served last year, with the addition of Mary Almy Chase and Anna T. Hall.

Report of the Committee on Social Purity.

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends.

The Committee appointed at our last Yearly Meeting to take into consideration the needs of work along Social

Purity lines submit their first annual report.

In Dover Quarterly Meeting no returns have been received.

In Farmington Quarter, the work has been limited to talks with young girls.

In Falmouth Quarter, literature has been distributed, and as way has opened, mothers have been encouraged to take up the work.

In Vassalboro Quarter no returns have been given on the subject, but in a visit to this Quarter it was found that in the immediate locality there is no encouragement, as the better class of women, it is said, do not wish to hear anything said on the subject.

In Lonsdale Quarter, vigorous work has been done. Six hundred and eighty-six pages of literature and forty-five pledge cards have been distributed, three Mothers' Meetings have been held, and four lectures delivered. The Committee for this Quarter suggests Local Superintendents in each Meeting, and that a report to a Quarterly Meeting Superintendent each.

In Salem Quarter, two leaflets have been written and published, and like given to mothers and young people. There is a growing interest in the work, and while little has been done by the Committee which might be reckoned as the work of the Committee, still we have done what we could as opportunity offered, in Mothers' Meetings, in the selection and distribution of literature and private conversation, to elevate the standard of personal purity. We feel the lack of literature bearing upon this subject, also of workers adapted to the work, and wish to encourage any who feel the burden of this department resting upon them to consecrate themselves to be prepared and used by the Master of the vineyard.

Funds are greatly needed for the purchase and circulation of suitable literature. A leaflet in the hands of a mother, a note of warning or instruction, may be the means, in God's hands, of keeping the feet of the little one from going astray, while otherwise would enter upon ways the end of which is death.

We trust the Meeting will feel like entering upon a more earnest, vigorous, and at the same time very wise prosecution of this line of work, and that

some means might be devised by which the necessary funds may be secured.

About one thousand copies of the two leaflets above mentioned have been judiciously distributed at the present Yearly Meeting.

Eliza P. Larkin,
Corresponding Secretary.

Committee On Social Purity.

Chairman, Lucy H. Pickett,
Secretary, Anna F. Hall,
Treasurer, Mary A. Chase,
Committee on Literature.

General Committee.

Lucy H. Pickett.
Elizabeth P. Larkin.
Ruth S. Murray.
S. Jane Cox,
Jane E. Hiatt,
Alice K. Jenkins.
Emeline E. Tuttle.
Martha B. Osborne.
Melissa S. Dearborn.
Mary A. Chase.

Anna F. Hall.

Adjourned to meet in joint session at three o'clock P. M.

Fourth Day Afternoon.

The Meeting met, pursuant to adjournment, in joint session.

The Committee to propose delegates to attend the World's Peace Congress at Chicago, report the following which are satisfactory. They are to have the privilege of naming substitutes if any of them find they cannot attend to the duty assigned them. The names are as follows: Timothy B. Hussey, John H. Crosman, James H. Chace, Lucretia F. Chace, Susan T. Thompson, John Hurlin, and Sarah H. Hurlin.

A joint General Epistle to the Yearly Meetings of New York, Ohio, and Wilmington Yearly Meetings, and a joint Epistle to the Monthly Meeting of Ramallah, Palestine, were then read and approved, and the Clerks were directed to sign them on behalf of this Meeting and forward them to the Meetings addressed.

The Clerks were directed to sign the following Minute for our friend, Isaac Hall, which was read and approved and ordered to be signed and forwarded to the Meeting addressed:

The Committee for [illegible] further before the following returning Minute for our friend, Isaac Hall:

To Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends, Durham Quarterly Meeting, and London Grove Meeting of Friends, Greeting:

Dear Friends,— Our beloved friend, Isaac Hall, attended this Meeting with satisfactory credentials from your Meetings. His counseling and loving gospel messages have been comforting and encouraging. His firm yet childlike faith, and the evidences of Divine care over him, have been confirming and inspiring to us.

The Clerks were also authorized to sign on our behalf the following Minute for our friend, Fernando G. Cartland, viz.:—

Fernando G. Cartland attended this Meeting, and his ministry and religious services were acceptable to us. And a minute was prepared for Fernando G. Cartland, Edward C. Rich, Jesse H. Hinman, and George A. Hartley.

The Clerks were also authorized to sign the following Minute for Sophronia C. Reynolds, viz.:—

Sophronia C. Reynolds accompanying her husband, Perrin Reynolds, acceptably attended this Meeting. And a minute was prepared for Sophronia C. Reynolds.

The following Committee has been appointed to make all necessary arrangements for holding religious meetings during the sessions of our next Quarterly Meeting, as may seem best; also to propose times and places for the various Committees to meet, which are now or may be then under appointment, viz.:—

Charles M. Cox, David J. Dugan, Samuel R. Hutton,

Thomas Hood, Oscar F. Moore, Robert P. Tufford, William J. Bussey, Myra E. Frye, Sarah J. Swift, Hannah J. Bailey, Susan Peckham and Charles Coles.

Our Honored Friends inform us that they have concurred in all the foregoing actions of the Men's Meeting.

The reading of the remainder of the epistles addressed to our sisters of other Yearly Meetings was completed; we also read those addressed to the sick and afflicted, and the Young People and Children of our own Yearly Meeting, all of which were approved and directed to be signed.

The Clerk of the Women's Meeting was authorized to call on the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting, relating to defray the expense of the usual amount of printing.

Report of Committee on Finance.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The Committee on Finance recommends that the following appropriations be made from the Treasury of the Yearly Meeting:—

For Associated Executive Committee on Western Indians.	$525 00
For Principal and Interest on Oak Grove notes	600 00
For Freedmen (Maryville Institute)	500 00
	$1,625 00

For the Committee

Susan J. Thompson, Secretary.

Portland, Eighth Month 14th. 1893.

This Meeting directed the Clerks to cause an edition of two thousand copies of the Minutes of the Meeting to be printed and sent down to our Quarterly Meetings in their usual proportions; and we appoint Almira B. Tuttle and Rufus M. Jones to assist them in the accomplishment of the work.

We extend our hearty thanks to the Pastor and Society of the Second Parish, for their kindness in allowing us the use of their house of worship which has materially added to the comfort and convenience of our Meeting at this time.

The Clerk is directed to sign and furnish them a copy of this Minute.

The business of the yearly session having been accomplished in much harmony and love, the yearly Meeting adjourned, to meet in yearly session in Newport, R.I., at the appointed time next year if the Lord permit.

Anna M. Hoag
Clerk.

Epistles

From New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held in Portland, Me., from the 9th of Sixth Month to the 14th. of the same inclusive 1893

To the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends next to be held in London.

Dear Sisters.

Once more we are permitted to send you a greeting of love, and to rehearse the watchword "Be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might."

We feel that it is a time when our branch of the church universal seems to need a special endowment of power to enable us to hold up our old banner of Peace against the military spirit that of late seems to be spreading over our nation. The building of so many war vessels is a stab towards the military system, which has made of Continental Europe an armed camp, and drawing so large a part of the population from productive and useful employments and burdening the people with heavy taxation.

The introduction of military drill into so many schools and the formation of boys' companies in connection with many Sabbath schools and Societies of Christian Endeavor have awakened a deep feeling of concern. It is gratifying to be able to say that our own Y. F. C. E. in their

public meeting held during the session of the Yearly Meeting, have passed a resolution condemning capital punishment. By this action they have publicly enlisted under the banner of the Prince of Peace and shown that the weapons of their warfare are not carnal but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds.

The subject of Social Purity has been brought before us, and although as a meeting, we have hereto for done no work in this direction yet the importance of this question is being strongly impressed upon us. Eighty years as we have been in this land education, it seems a duty laid upon us to find some way if possible, to aid in the struggle against the impurity which is spreading its snares for the young on every hand. The revelations of the press both in your land and ours, show that many of our sex have been entrapped and reduced to a virtual slavery. Let us make earnest effort to rescue as many of these unfortunates as possible, and to save others from their fate.

We have encouraging reports from our work in Ramallah and among the Western Indians.

The Bible school and Temperance work have also made progress during the year.

In considering the state of Society our attention has been particularly called to the care that should be exercised over the tongue. We were reminded that here we could practice self-denial for there is a great temptation to speak of the faults of others, and to weary ourselves in this subject cannot but be pleasing to our Divine Master. "Keep the door of my lips," should be our constant prayer. Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh, so we should strive to have our hearts filled with love that we may show ourselves truly children of our Father in Heaven.

Our hearts have been gladdened by the presence of our dear old friend Grace Kaup among us.

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace!" How we look on his face

think of the long and difficult journey he has made before reaching us, we can feel that He who leads forth His servants on His missions, can and will take care of them — their way and bring them safely through. As we listened to the minute of your meeting, its richness and weight and realized from it the faith that enabled you to promote his mission, we were brought into much tender sympathy with you, and we trust that ere long you will again welcome him rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

We had hoped to receive an epistle from you at this time, and to hear of the work you have been privileged to do for the Master. We know nevertheless, that you are in His loving care and keeping. May you always abide under the shadow of the Almighty! With a salutation of love we are your Sisters

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Anna G. Webb

Clerk

To Dublin Yearly Meeting of Women Friends

Dear Sisters

We were glad to receive your loving greeting and to learn of the heartfelt exercise which hovered the meetings of your annual gathering, that each one who had known the forgiving love of Christ might be filled to overflowing with His spirit and thus His blessed influence be shed on all around. We are indeed, as a united responsible assembly, entrusted with domestic and social influences, and we should be thankful to the Great Lord of men that He gives us work to do in His vineyard.

To the dear young married among you we would say that our love goes up for you, that you may be richly guided and right in your responsible work. May no timid shrinking back and fear from being very faithful in praying with, and for your children, to Him in whom are all the treasures

of wisdom and knowledge for every Lord in your creed, accepting the precious promise, "If any of you need wisdom let him ask of God, that giveth to all liberally — and it shall be given him" Thus through Divine help you will be enabled to answer wisely the many questions your darlings ask.

In the full summer tide of life, my sister,
How busy is thy heart with many cares;
Now o'er the sick, among thy plants so tender,
Now for the night-dews, coax the vines so slender,
Hustle with weeds and tares.

Deep gratitude has been expressed to our Heavenly Father for his watchful care over our aged friend Isaac Sharp. We rejoice that after long journeyings over sea and land, his feet have been guided to us. We can hardly express the encouragement given us by this wonderful leading of the Lord thus manifested. You alluded in your epistle to the death of our poet Whittier. We rejoice in the widely extended influence of his pure, humble life and brave, noble words for truth and right.

Let us faithfully consecrate all our talents, whether they are great or small, to the Master for His work.

Around every one of us gather a little circle of friends interested in what we speak, or do, or write, because they love us. Shall we not ask for grace to live so that we may help and not hinder others in right living.

The various Missions and other lines of Christian work in which we feel a deep interest have come before us as usual, and the doctrine of Peace, held by our beloved Society from its earliest days has been proclaimed with no uncertain sound, while parents have been exhorted to instil it into the minds of their children as the teaching of Him who bade us love our enemies. Whatever may be the difficulties that surround us, may we all acknowledge the rule and know the protecting power of Him who is the Prince of peace, peace in heart, in home, in countries and in the world at large. And now dear sisters farewell in the Lord. The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all

Amen.

Copy of [illegible] adopted at the [illegible]
Bloomington Yearly Meetings - 1893

To New York Yearly Meeting

Dear Friends. In the absence of our Yearly Meeting, one of the indications that we have blessing amidst us was the spirit of our Living Head in all the [illegible] we were favored.

The [illegible] of [illegible] and clearness of vision concerning the things of the kingdom, disclosed in these messages of love, confirm us more and increase our faith in the future of the organized Church.

Another was the fullness and thoroughness of the [illegible] of the ministry of those who have come among us as the recognized servants of the Lord.

The boldness and directness with which the fundamental truths of the Gospel have been presented have reassured us.

We have seen that the banner we are to display because of the truth, has for its defence a hand mightier than our own.

The theories by which men would lead us away from the Divine and supernatural in the word of God fades in the light of facts.

In our time men walk as miracles of grace. They stand before us under the power of the Holy Ghost.

We are assured that our commission and that the witness intrusted to us is Divine. In all that has come before us we have known the presence and gentle guidance of our Master.

The wavering have been confirmed, the discouraged comforted, and hungry souls have been fed with the meat of life. In all the departments of Church work the leading feature of the whole is a higher tone of holiness.

Though all is breathed in greater or less degree an aggressive spirit.

A more practical turn is manifested in

Bible school work. There is evident progress in sentiments respecting the cause of temperance. The members of our committee on Social work, more than ever feel the sympathy of the membership.

There are greater numbers and wider scope for the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. The voice of those who cry for peace, is finding more easy entrance into the ears of men.

The promising outlook for all the enterprises in which we, with you are engaged gives to them the kind of union & co-operation with &

Now we are impressed by the one Spirit into the one body, that we may exhibit every where as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

We are in love your friends.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Meeting aforesaid

Anna E. Wood
Clerk

To Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Women Friends

Dear friends

We thankfully acknowledge the receipt of your loving greeting of 11th. mo. last, and desire to send you a reply which may be in accord with our Fathers' will.

We rejoice that it is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning us, that we should in everything give thanks.

We join with you in the thought that to every Christian the call of ministry in some way, in our Father's special way, for every devoted child of His. We can reverently say that we are in a Kingdom where the very atmosphere is love and service.

We realize with thankfulness that we are not called to walk in strife and enjoy a great peace all to ourselves, while pain and sin, and the world's unrest are all around us. While it is true that it is more blessed to be

humble followers of the Lord Jesus Christ to be evidently a great leader in Christian work, yet he knows the best reader is he who reads his Bible most closely that he may minister to them the blessing the heart whose this most is most needed. It is this kind of following which prevents us from becoming morbid ambitious, or over anxious or ineffectual in our work.

The visit of you, Sir, to us in attendance of our Yearly Meeting, and earnest helpfulness in the meetings of the Society, is very encouraging. We are thankful to be Christian brethren and to meet for sacred service in this Society, large and influential meetings now held, and more addressed by dear Isaac Sharp, whose long life of sacred service is an inspiration to us all.

His firm belief in Divine guidance and the proofs of the protecting hand of God as shown in his eventful life, make a striking object lesson that it is always safe to trust in the Lord.

The objects which claim your attention as a Yearly Meeting are similar to our own as the years go by, each year having its own separate business. We come together for one short week to transact the business of the Church; we enjoy the social intercourse; we are uplifted and strengthened by the spiritual helpfulness which our Father gives us one for another. We give thanks for the experience, and then return to our homes to take up our daily duties again. Just here we feel very grateful for the reference in your Epistle to the wondrous influence of a Christian home where God is honored day by day, and this will make the standard of the daily life. The Hebrew Psalmist in days of old knew that the Christian home with all its hallowed associations should be the training ground for the larger home of Christ's Church which numbers in its great family all the children of the King.

How prayerfully we long that the ties that unite [illegible] to become members of the

[illegible] time.

Those, parents, who [illegible] have done their earthly work and we give thanks for all the pledges; hopeful words, for all the brave honest deeds, but most of all for the Spirit of love manifest in their hearts, as they have heard and heeded the voice, "Arise, shake off dull sloth and join the throng in the name of the Lord Jesus." We have had visits brought to us at this time, the Christ of the Eternal Word who was one with the Father before the world was made, the Lamb of God who is to reign forever in the vast Eternity; as the divine Jesus Christ who is our Master to-day. What reverent devoted followers should we be;

In His name, we are your friends.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

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To Indiana Yearly Meeting of Women Friends.

Dear Sisters.

As we have again been permitted to meet in our annual assembly our hearts have been filled with praise and thanksgiving for the many blessings which the Lord has poured upon us, and we have been ready to exclaim with the psalmist "Bless the Lord O my soul and all that is within me, bless his Holy name."

As we read your sisterly greeting, we felt our hearts were reminded of that bond which makes us one in the love of Jesus Christ, which distance cannot separate.

"Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above."

We rejoice with you in the increase of the Christian Endeavor Society, whose influence is felt

all over the land, and so many of the young are coming up in the service of the Lord, for "the fields are white already to harvest" and more laborers are needed to gather in the sheaves.

Peace, home peace, and foreign mission work, has also claimed a large share of our time and we are rich with thankfulness the increasing interest of all our members.

Our hearts are also made to rejoice in the encouraging outlook of the Bible School work in many of our meetings, the memorizing Scripture by the younger members in obedience to the injunction of our Lord, "Search the Scriptures," and the gathering in of the children of whom the Saviour said "Suffer the little children to come unto Me" and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of Heaven.

We gladly welcome all the anointed servants of the Lord, who have come amongst us at this time, some from your part of the Lord's heritage, and our dear aged father in Israel Isaac Shaw from across the water, may the Lord bless them abundantly, and may the seed which they have sown fall on good ground. The loving remembrance we are your sisters.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
[illegible] Wood

To our Yearly Meeting of Friends.

Dear Sisters

[illegible] gratitude to our Heavenly Father that we are [illegible] at this our Annual meet with His divine blessing upon us.

During the sessions of the Yearly meeting we have realized His abiding presence, and a sweet spirit of harmony has prevailed which has brought us into blessed fellowship and communion one with another and with our Lord Jesus Christ.

"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High, shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty"

We are settled and encamped in the land of our adoption, and by faith unite with you in the prayerful labor for the Master, and while distance separates us, may the prayer of Jesus be answered in all our lives, "And thou and thou in me that they may be made perfect in one, that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them as thou hast loved me"

We are blessed at this time with the company and joyful services of dear friends from other Mission meetings, both male and female ministers, their ministries of love is truly a benediction to all our hearts. Our dear father in the church, Isaac Stark is with us from London yearly living under the fresh anointing of the Spirit, "green in old age."

There is a growing interest and an enlargement in the truth in all our departments of work, viz:- Peace, and Abolition, Foreign Missions, Temperance, Bible Schools and Education. We have been favored with very able addresses on the subject of Peace, and with a new invitation we reechoed the angels song, "Glory to God in the highest on earth peace and good will to men."

Our missionary field at Ramallah is in a prosperous condition. Glad greetings have come to us from their Monthly Meetings, expressing much gratitude to God, and those who have helped to lead them to Jesus.

It is with thankful hearts that we acknowledge our Heavenly Father's blessing upon us in revival work - during the past year he has sent forth his laborers into the harvest fields. The Holy Spirit has been poured out in great power in many places, and the result has been the ingathering of precious souls to Christ; the deepening of the work of grace in the hearts of believers, and quite a number have connected membership with friends.

to all these things we ought to give heed if we would be loyal.

Our Y. F. M. A. is alive in all the interests of the Church.

At their annual meeting, this year they resolved to discountenance in every way the "Band Parade".

Shall we not pray for our people as the Lord of the Church in the future, that we may be kept from temptations and in all things.

"They that love thy law and to obedience shall shine as the stars forever and ever."

Such wise counsel has been given us the subject of detraction, we have been encouraged to cherish a spirit of charity, and not to speak of the faults of others, but to teach the door of our lips, with kind words for all.

Dear Sisters, "Let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Affectionately we are your sisters.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting.

Anna G. Elrod

To Western Yearly Meeting of Women Friends:

Dear Sisters;

In the love of the Lord Jesus Christ, we send you tender greeting.

As we have assembled in our annual meeting and have listened to the loving words of your Epistle and to those of other dear sisters you have been brought very near to our hearts, and we have enjoyed something of the blessedness of Christian sympathy and fellowship.

We have rejoiced that so many of our sisters all over this broad land are pressing forward the work which our blessed Lord has left for His disciples to do. We are glad that so many doors are opening for women to work, in spreading the Gospel of our dear Redeemer, and alleviating his sorrows. As we have met, day by day,

in our meetings — we have realized the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit and have felt that we are wonderfully owned and blessed of Him.

We have several friends with us, at this time from other Yearly Meetings — whose loving ministrations have been comforting and encouraging to us. Our dear friend Isaac Sharp, from London Yearly Meeting is with us; his presence and his counsel have strengthened our faith in our coming Lord, and caused many of us to covenant anew with Him, that we will follow Him more closely and obey Him more faithfully.

We have been greatly interested in the education work — in the Home and Foreign Missionary work, in the Temperance cause — in the work of the Bible Schools, and in all the work in which we are engaged.

As we have looked out over the broad fields of earth, and have realized something of the great need of faithful laborers we have prayed the "Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into His harvest," we have asked Him to revive us, to do more and fuller work for Him.

We have had one meeting devoted to the subject of Peace — which was very instructive, and we trust will be a new inspiration to us all to strive to spread this Gospel of "Peace on earth good will to men." We are greatly rejoiced that so many of our young friends are living earnest Christian lives; that they have given themselves to Christ — in the freshness of their early years and are going forth at their Master's call, into the whitened fields of earth to work for Him.

We have all been lovingly admonished to work while the day is — remembering the injunction "In the morning sow thy seed and in the evening withhold not thine hand."

There is no time for the Christian to lay aside the armor. With a salutation of love we are your Affectionate friends

Signed on behalf of the Meeting. Anna M. Hood

To the Yearly Meeting held in London, and to be with you at Race from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Being favored to gather once more as a Yearly Meeting, we have been refreshed and encouraged by the renewed assurances of Christian love in the various epistles from our sister meetings all believing to the Son of Christ and increased blessing on his work.

We rejoice with the voice of thanksgiving for his saving mercies, his sustaining power and his reconciling grace. "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, to-day and forever." and his spirit of love and truth and peace, have been proclaimed with power among us. The reawakening of a military spirit in our country evidenced by the building of naval ships, and other warlike preparations after so long a period of comparative disarmament, and the introduction of military drill into so many of our high schools, has been a cause of serious concern to us at this time, and the doctrine of Peace held by our beloved Society from its earliest inception, has been proclaimed with no uncertain sound, while parents have been exhorted to instil it into the minds of their children as the teaching of Him who bade us love our enemies.

It is with deep feelings of gratitude that we have listened to the reports of the flourishing condition of our Boarding Schools, considering them as nurseries of the Church, and we have gladly welcomed among us a large number of our young friends, who give unmistakable evidence of their love for Christ and His service, and their interest in the work of the Society. We can not but feel in regarding them that there is a future of usefulness for our Society in a world which still too sadly needs the teaching of a Savior's love.

The reports from our various Mission fields have been listened to with the greatest interest. The efforts of love in our work among the natives of Ramallah, seem to have been richly crowned

...applications are frequently made to our missionaries to establish schools in the surrounding country. The privilege of thus carrying the blessed gospel of Christ to the land where his enemies have spent it much appreciated by us and we hope before another year to have a larger and more suitable building erected to supply the needs of the "Girls Training Home," and to render more efficient the work of our devoted missionaries.

The untiring, self-sacrificing efforts of our laborers among the Indians cannot be too much commended, nor our duty to this much-injured people at our own door be strongly impressed upon us. The readiness with which they receive not only the gospel, but the spiritual doctrines held upon purity and the simplicity of our manner of worship, shows how entirely they have been misunderstood in the past and how vast a debt we owe them for ages of neglect.

The presence of our beloved, aged friend Isaac Shark of England an evidence of our Lord's protecting love and care is a continual inspiration to us at this time. Green in old age, rooted and grounded in love, he bears the banner of the Lord Christ ahead with the foremost in our ranks, and his ringing voice tells of that which he does know as he testifies to the constant faithfulness of his Heavenly Father who sent him forth and has stood ever at his side to sustain and guide.

We have among us fewer ministers than usual from the yearly meetings, and much to our regret the women ministers are very few, which has forced upon our attention the fact that the gift of the ministry is being less exercised than formerly among us, and we ask why is this the case? Has it been less frequently bestowed, or when given has it been turned into other channels shunned by philanthropic labors? We greatly desire that the exercise, which in so long a time our women alone among Christian societies were privileged to share may not be lightly abandoned, and that the gifts of the spirit may be clearly discerned and accepted among us. With a salutation of

To the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends

Dear Sisters

Through the love of our Heavenly Father we are permitted to meet once more as a Yearly Meeting, and while it appears that we number a little less than from year to year we end this, we rejoice as aged parents, who see their children and grandchildren settling in new homes, and entering upon new duties, spreading their influence far and wide, so from these little meetings ours has multiplied till now over a large part of our country.

This time honored correspondence between our Yearly Meetings, must be an spiritual hand-clasp of visibly uniting, binding us together in an unbroken band from North to South and from East to West, reaching this year, for the first time, from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean, and beyond to foreign lands.

The company of our dear friend Isaac Sharp from London, has been a blessing to us; and his cheerful encouraging words from day to day, prove his abiding faith in the Lord whom he has loved and served through a long life.

Other ministers are acceptable with us, but we regret the small number of women ministers; and are led to ask, are they less faithful to the Master's call than formerly? or are they laboring in other fields of Christian duty to the loss of the ministry?

Reports from our mission workers in Syria and among the Indians have been very encouraging and we have endeavored to hold up their hands by our prayers, by helpful words, and material aid, as God has blest us.

The cause of Peace has been ably presented and the variety of Christian work under the care of this meeting shows faithfulness in the hart of our Committees.

We miss the faces of dear ones who have stood as standard bearers for many years,

and feel all mercifully to receive their faltering
utterances, but we are cheered by the presence
of so many earnest young Christians who
are entering into the service with consecrated
hearts. With a great variety of opinions as
must be, where there is life, our meetings have
been held in great harmony, and the spirit of
love and condescension, prevails in the assur-
ance "Jesus Christ the same yesterday and to-day
and forever."

With a salutation of love we are
your friends.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting.

Thos. E. Wood

Clerk.

To Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends.

Dear Friends,

Assembled as we are in our
annual meeting; our thoughts turn to you
with affectionate interest. We very gladly
welcome you to the sisterhood of Yearly
Meetings, with the desire that in the region
where you are placed you may be as a heaven
light, pointing to the Saviour, and showing
the spiritual nature of true religion. Very
sweet is the fellowship of believers; very precious
the privilege of united prayer.

Distant as we are, may we in that bond
which unites Christians the world over, together
supplicate, that He the great Head of the church
may undertake for you and for us. That He
may guide and direct each of us, and grant
that in all our deliberations, His glory and His
honor may be our only aim.

We have at this time the acceptable
company of dear friends from our own and
other Yearly Meetings on this continent.

We are truly thankful that our beloved
and friend Isaac Sharp, from London Yearly
Meeting, has been strengthened to visit us.
His testimony, to the safety of Divine guidance,

and the constant protecting care of the Heavenly Shepherd in many lands, and under trying circumstances, has been very encouraging and strengthening.

We would acknowledge with fervent gratitude the felt presence of our Heavenly Father, as we have met together from time to time. Very tenderly we have been exhorted to make the individual inquiry, What will thou have me to do? so that whether in meat ministry, or in a "silence of heart," or in the varied duties of social life, we may seek to serve, and to please, our Father in Heaven, and Him alone. The reports from our mission at Ramallah are very encouraging, showing that even in that benighted land, the precious seed has fallen in good ground, and will yield an abundant harvest.

The subject of Peace has claimed our earnest attention, we believe this to be one of our important testimonies. May our Lord hasten the day, when "nation shall not lift up sword against nation neither shall they learn war any more.

With the salutation of love we are yours with

Signed on behalf of the Meeting,

[illegible]

To Friends Yearly Meeting of Women Friends.

Dear Sisters

"In prayer on earth the saints are one,
In word in deed in mind,
When with the Father and the Son
Sweet fellowship we find."

We do not need to tell you how [illegible] to you, to sing your God-speed — but in the oneness of the Spirit, we send you a loving greeting.

"Though sundered far, by faith we meet
Around one common mercy seat."

Again the dear Lord, for us, with many

[illegible] which she is daily [illegible]
[illegible] Bible Sisters.

[illegible] entered upon [illegible]
[illegible] especially with the direct [illegible]
of love resting upon us.

[illegible] aged sister, [illegible] Sharp
of London, is [illegible] with us [illegible]
old age. She [illegible] truly realized His
promise to mine, "I will never leave thee,
nor forsake thee." We have been reminded
by this that we [illegible] ourselves
[illegible] service that the Lord calls for, saying we
are [illegible] and feeble to longer bear the burden
and heat of the day.

"We'll work till victory won
Nor lay thine armor down
The work of faith will not be done
Till thou obtain the crown."

Many other servants of the Master are in
attendance and their labors of love are accept-
able to us. Each department of work presents
[illegible] an increase — faithful workers are in
the field. Many have said "Here am I
send me" and the Lord has blessed their labor

We have listened to able addresses on
Peace, showing very clearly that Christ came
to bring "Peace on earth and good will to men."

Our mission field at Ramallah is
in a prosperous condition, glad greetings have
come to us from their households. Meeting
expressing much gratitude to God, and those
who have helped to lead them to Jesus.

Dear Sisters do not be discouraged, though
your numbers are small, and though you
feel your need more worked, remember that
God is your refuge and strength, a very present
help in trouble, therefore do not fear but trust
"we must sow by the side of all waters" to be
blessed, and we must not be too desirous to
see the fruit, perhaps others will reap what
we are sowing, one sowth and another reapeth
both will rejoice together "Fear not be strong

out of [illegible] courage."

The exhort the dear mothers to make [illegible] the children entrusted to their care, [illegible] precious lambs, commit them daily to the care of the good Shepherd [illegible] with them while on the [illegible] of today, will be the [illegible] of tomorrow. [illegible] admonition of the text, the advice that no weapon [illegible] against us can [illegible] with of the Lord against the mighty.

In the description of the excellent woman in the 31st chapter of Prov. it is said "In her tongue is the law of kindness."

Kind kindness and appreciation shown toward the young people and children will never be forgotten by them and will bind them to us, and to the Church — Let us not neglect to give them the greeting — the hand-clasp, the smile. The earnest desire has been expressed that woman's ministry should not be confined to [illegible] realms, we have been encouraged to overcome the shrinking so natural to most of us, and do our duty among the great congregations who are called to publish the word. Sisters pray for us.

"Now the God of peace that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever."

With the salutation of love we are yours in the Lord.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting.

Emma G. Wood

Clerk.

Joint Epistle

[illegible] Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Sixth Month. 1893.

Dear Friends

We have received much comfort and encouragement from your loving Epistle, and our hearts have been filled with thanksgiving for our Father's blessings to you, and the evidences of your spiritual growth. It is a cause of gratitude that we can walk with the Father in Spirit and in truth, and are exalted to maintain a meeting of our Religious Society in that land, forever dear to the Christian world, as the birth place of prophets and kings, and hallowed by the life, death and resurrection of our Divine Master.

It is with much sympathy that we consider your position in the midst of those who are living in darkness, and we realize that you hold a place of great usefulness. Your faithfulness will be rewarded as the circle of light about you grows larger, and as your numbers increase.

Our interest in the "Oli and Sybil Jones Mission" is constantly increasing, and we rejoice with you as we learn of the blessing which rests on the work. It is gratifying to hear directly from you of its good results, and of your appreciation of it. We are with you in the desire for the training of the boys in your land, and hope in the providence of God may may be opened for this in the near future. We note with much interest your effort to have a meeting house of your own. We have been greatly favored by the Divine Spirit during our Yearly Meeting. The important causes for which we are working, Temperance, Peace, Education, and Missions have prospered during the year and are steadily advancing. The work of the Church in the salvation of souls is being carried on with earnestness, followed with gratifying results.

In concluding we wish to express to you our interest in all that concerns your spiritual

reliance, and our sympathy in your trials and difficulties.

May you always know the presence and guidance of our Heavenly Father, and by the Holy Spirit be comforted and sustained in your daily life.

With greetings of love and fellowship we are your friends.

Anna G. Wood, Clerk.

Samuel Sheffum
Lovesander L.

To our Young Friends,

Dear Young Friends:

We greet you in the love of God and in the fellowship of Christ, and would assure you of the large place you have in our hearts, our sympathies and our prayers.

Each year, as we come together in the interests of the church, we feel more and more a common bond between you and us; not only from the fact that so many of you fulfil the duties, and many trusts, doubtless, that our members with and keep us, but also because of the reports that come to us of the faithful work you have been doing through all the year in your own meetings and homes.

We would thank you in the name of Him whose we are, and whom we are at all times to try to serve, for the cheer and comfort you thus bring to us, and would encourage you more to be weary in well doing.

On through the hours the quiet words ring
Like a low inspiration, "Be the next thing."

Many a question, many a fear,
Many a doubt, hath its solution here.
Moment by moment, let down from heaven,
Time, opportunity, guidance are given.
Fear not to-morrow, child of the King,
Trust Him for grace, "Be the next thing."

Do it immediately; do it with prayer;
Do it reliantly, casting all care;
Do it with reverence, tracing His hand,
Who hath placed it before thee with earnest command.
Stayed on Omnipotence, safe neath His wing,
Leave all resultings, "Doe the next thynge."

In the shade of His presence, the rest of His calm
The light of His countenance, live out thy psalm
Living in His faithfulness, praise Him and sing
Trust as He beckons thee, "Doe the next thynge."

Be willing to spend and be spent in His service and count no sacrifice too great that you make for Him, remembering that "Love's strength standeth in Love's sacrifice."

And yet dear young friends, we would lovingly remind you of the word of the Lord to the King of Israel, "Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice." And we entreat you to keep very near to the Master, that you may not only be ready to go at His command, but that you may perfectly understand the errand, and receive His anointing, and His armor, and His weapons, before you go forth, lest you go in your own strength and fail of accomplishing His purposes. May you often call to mind

"The simple thought
By the great Master taught
And that remaineth still;
Not he that heareth the name,
But he that doeth the will!"

We have been very glad to hear of your interest in Bible study. May you always read and study this book of books reverently, seeking the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit to show you the message which God sends to you.

We find ourselves writing as if we knew that all our young people were God's children by adoption, as they are by creation and redemption. We would gladly think it is so; and yet we cannot withhold a word to those if such there be, who have not yet

accepted His redemption and made it their own.

Do you, dear young men, ever consider these things? Are you really happy and at peace in the life you are leading? Are you as habitual those of your friends who have chosen the Lord for their portion and His service for their delight?

Can you not read in their faces, and hear in their speech, signs and notes of a joy, and a peace and a purpose, noble and true and more satisfying than you have known? We have had with us at this time servants and hand-maids of the Lord, who have proved the promises of their God through many, many years; and who have testified to us that "not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the Lord" promised when they gave their hearts to Him and consecrated their lives to His service. Will you not believe this glad testimony? Will you not heed their loving exhortations? Will you not accept the Saviour's gift, and give yourselves to Him in return, to be filled with His Spirit and to be fashioned into a vessel meet for His use, whereby you can glorify Him?

Brethren, let us be diligent; sisters, let us encourage you brethren; so shall our young people, working together, be helpful in repairing our breaches, and in building up the church in the most holy faith.

We want to ask you to read carefully, — you who are so soon to take the standard from those whose hands are growing weary, — a message we are sending you through our Minutes. It is the result of our prayerful consideration of "The need of pastoral care in our meetings;" a subject in which so many of us are interested. We think it concerns you as much as it does those of us who are older. As Friends, we are living a life of watchfulness; even a saint in the keeping of Christ, in the priesthood of believers, and in the individual responsibility of each member to Him who has promised that the Holy Spirit shall guide us into all truth; and we feel

sure that, if each one of us is faithful according to the gift he has received and according to the ability that God gives, there will always be pastors to care for the flock; the sheep and the lambs will be fed and cared for, and fountains of living water will be opened in the midst of the people by Him who hath said; "I am the Good Shepherd.

Let us look unto Him, dear young people and seek to know Him, whom to know is life eternal. "Ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves and to all men." And "may the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight; through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."

In His name we bid you farewell,

Signed on behalf of the meeting

Anna G. Hood Clerk.

Portland 6. mo 14. 1893

To the Sick and Afflicted of New England Yearly Meeting.

Dear Friends:

We are gathered here already, and the Lord is with us and has blessed us, but even here, while exchanging loving greetings and enjoying the spiritual uplifting, we need to and Christian encouragement, our hearts turn to you, whom the Lord's hand had kept at home, and who may be a little discouraged because of the way. But do you remember the poem which says.

"He gives his angels charge o'er them that sleep
But He, himself, watches with those who wake,"

and the greater the need the more grace is given to meet it.

He has graciously permitted us to meet here

and was sent His anointed messengers with glorious tidings of His love and power to save, but He is also present with you at home and can speak comfort and peace to you, each one, however lonely you may feel. We pray that your ears may be opened to catch the faintest whisper of His loving voice.

The very fact that you are "sick and afflicted" proves His loving presence close to you. Frances Havergal writes,

Take this hand, Lord Jesus
From thine own hand,

and when that hand "presses sore" it is still in love and "sometime, somewhere" we shall see the meaning of the trial, see what lesson He would have us learn from it, and what blessing was concealed beneath its stern exterior.

But nevertheless, the pain and the privations and the griefs almost hide His face from us, and the tempter seeks to persuade us that we have a "hard master," and faith and patience are sorely tried and sometimes we can hardly pray, and if we do, our prayers seem cold and powerless.

Dear hearts, in the very darkest hours, remember that "this also passeth away," that the earth mists only hide His presence, they do not banish Him, and that our sinking hearts will find Him just as near and as ready to save as Peter did when he cried "Lord save me." He is within arm's length to Peter and He is to thee.

What message has the Master specially for thee now? "When the soul is about to receive some remarkable cure for spiritual malady, Jesus takes it aside from the multitude as He did the deaf and dumb man. So when a dear one has been removed from us, in the stillness of sorrow we hear Jesus more clearly. After personal suffering we often find ourselves enabled to speak to others for their comfort and guidance as never before." When this epistle was to be written it was especially given to one who knew what pain and sorrow meant, and there are many of us who unite in this word to you

few hearts which know more of their ahead.

And we commend each one of you to the One who "knoweth our frame," who can understand the suffering that no mortal friend can fully measure, the One who knew to its full extent what it was to be lonely, and whose loving heart is "touched with the feeling of our infirmities."

Still does he cultivate the companionship of Jesus? talk often and fully with Him? tell Him of the grief and pain, and He will tell thee of the comfort and the consolation and enable thee, whatever may be the surrounding circumstances, to "rejoice in the Lord."

"Then as thou seest it, do the next thing." One of the sweetest and most helpful of consolations is to aid some other suffering one. Even feeble hands may sometimes do a little service for others and if thou hast that hardest of all tasks, to be idle, where there is so much to be done, thy sweet acquiescence with God's will and thy prayers for those who need help, may prove most fruitful service for Jesus.

In conclusion, we send you a prescription from the Great Physician, tried, proved and found efficacious. It will be found in Ps. 37: 1-7. "Fret not" "Trust." "Delight thyself." "Commit thy way." "Rest." "Wait patiently," and as if a double dose were needed, "Fret not" is repeated. Fill it and take it. It will raise the spirits while it quiets the heart. And may the present Saviour comfort you through weary days and wakeful nights, bless you and make you a blessing, for Jesus' sake.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting,
Anna G. Wood
Clerk.

Portland 5th Mo. 14th, 1893.

To the Children of New England & Young Readers

Dear Children:

Since sending you our letter one year ago we have thought of you many times, very lovingly, and have often prayed that the children of our England family Readers might all give their hearts to the Saviour, and early learn to follow in the footsteps of Him who was, as a little child, subject unto Joseph & Mary in Nazareth.

We are greatly interested in all you are doing for Jesus, and feel sure we have a much greater interest in your work than we can possibly have.

In a little circular, one of many we have seen, describing Societies in another Year's Meeting, we find the children are forming themselves into Sunshine Committees, and in as many ways as possible bring light and cheer into the lives of those about them. They take flowers to the sick and sweet messages of love to those who are in trouble.

They are especially helpful at home, trying constantly to do little acts of kindness for every one, and showing by their bright smiling faces that they love Jesus and want to be like Him. Will you not, children, strive to follow their example in this, and see in the coming year how many lives you can brighten, and how many burdens you can make less heavy?

Have you heard of the Society of Golden Rose? Those belonging to it are careful never to say unkind words about anyone, but in thinking of others try always to say something that will help, and which could not harm or grieve them. How many boys and girls will do this also?

I think you will be kind more if you remember that "All things were made by him: and without him was not anything made that was made."

Whichever way we turn, our eyes rest upon some of his beautiful things. He painted the flowers, he made all the clouds that float across the sky, every blade of grass and every little insect. You love them all; but you should

love yours most of all, because he gave his life for you and left on record these loving words:
"Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

Yours in truth and love,
Emma G. Wood
Uncle.

Portland, 6 mo 14th 1893

Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport, R.I., commencing Ninth Month 8th, 1894.

convened in joint session, and the ... were called, viz.:—

From ... — ... Greene, ... Greene, Eunice A. Greene, ... Charles C. Varney, Samuel R. Buffington, ... Jones, Frank E. Jones, Daniel Meader, ...

From ... — William C. ..., Joshua Buxton, ... Owen ..., ... Woodall, ... Edward ..., ... Ralph ..., ... Hood, ... Smith, ... Burton, ... Hood and ... Chase.

From ... — Rachel ... Cartland, Esther ..., Elizabeth C. ..., Mary C. ..., ... Hoag, ... Hoag, ... Edward ... Dillingham, ... Joshua L. Macomber, Edward G. Hood, ... Hood, ... Macomber, ... Hood.

Christian worker, from Ohio Yearly Meeting, [illegible] produced certificates from their respective meetings [illegible] with them and with their [illegible] engagements annexed to.

The [illegible] of [illegible] our friends in the [illegible] of this meeting [illegible] Gould [illegible], and [illegible], [illegible], [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

We appoint Robert P. Gifford, Owen Dame, Edward [illegible], S. Jane Comstock, Hannah [illegible], Wm. H. Cranmer, Joseph [illegible] and John B. Eastland, a Committee to audit and settle the account[illegible] to the Quarterly Meeting, to prepare a form [illegible] for the said appointees to keep the accounts [illegible] the year, and to have a Printed [illegible] for the use of the Monthly Meetings, [illegible] for Quarterly Meetings, &c.

We appoint the following Committee to prepare a summary of the answers to the queries and present it to the Sitting, viz.: [illegible] K. Burgess, Charles [illegible] and Wood.

We appoint the following Committee to nominate Committees for the Sessions, viz.: Anna M. Cox, Thomas Wood and others.

Adjourned to meet in joint session this afternoon at 2-½ o'clock.

At the close of the Morning Meeting the Representatives to the Yearly Meeting were appointed to read and [illegible] the names of Friends to serve as clerks.

At the joint session in the afternoon, Phebe S. Hazlett, on behalf of the Representatives proposed the name of Anna M. Wood for Clerk, and Ruth S. [illegible] and Robert E. Archer as assistant clerks, which [illegible] being separately considered were united with, and they were appointed to those [illegible] for the ensuing year.

Sixth-Day Afternoon, Sixth Month 8th.

The Meeting convened in joint session pursuant to adjournment.

Ezra Hawkes on behalf of the Men Representatives proposed the name of Timothy B. Kinsey for Clerk, and Edwin Lodge and Daniel C. Hatfield for assistant Clerks, which were separately considered and, being approved, they were appointed to those services [illegible] for the ensuing year.

It having this morning been the custom of this Meeting [illegible] of those in the ministry,

Report Of Providence School Committee.

recent death of our honored and beloved associate,

[illegible] wife is united with her life, and not [illegible] invaluable by the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] the Eastern Ave. [illegible] within [illegible] the heating of the school which will continue with very little repairs for many years no doubt.

The subject of taxation of the school has been before the Legislature since this write was last given us permission, but the [illegible] to the Board will [illegible]

A new driveway is being constructed to [illegible] Street. This will give a fine entrance to the school grounds which has been much needed since the opening of Lloyd Avenue and the destruction of the old trees on the School Avenue twenty years ago.

A new arrangement of large lockers in each wing is being made so that students shall not be deprived of the comforts of home life and forced to sit on hard school desks in hours of rest and recreation.

[illegible] heating and ventilation is the most important [illegible] and none was ever more needed after [illegible] light wells were constructed.

Bishop Brown, in his communication to the Meeting for Sufferings in 1814 in which he offered to locate the land upon which the school stands, said, "Let us proceed in humility with the Divine mind that we may hope for His blessing." They laid the foundation in faith and sincerity. And we are witnesses to the blessing of heaven has attended this noble undertaking.

In recognition of the magnitude of this cause let us our hearts with gratitude and thanksgiving to Him in whose keeping are all the institutions and causes so dear to us.

The number of scholars for the year has been —

Boarders	167
Day students	15
[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	219

[illegible] Improvement and Education

[illegible] Hall, [illegible] Classes, and English Studies and [illegible]

Thomas J. Batley, A. M., Natural Science

Robert Bonner, Instrumental Music

Etta A. Corbin, Calisthenics for Girls.

Bertha F. Tucker, Librarian.

Lectures.

Thomas J. Batley, A. M., Natural Science.

The Committee further vote that the price of admission to the course be one dollar, for all who may be admitted, gratuitously, under the provisions of the Peter Thacher Scholarship Fund; and that the members of the Legislature be admitted on the same terms as the members of the New England Society, in pursuance of a vote passed by the School Committee from the annual income of the Charitable Fund of $75.

The rates are payable at the commencement of each term. An additional charge to be made for one year's instruction in Greek, Latin, French, or German of $10; for one year's instruction in mechanical and common drawing and painting, $30.

It is understood that no deduction from the rates of tuition shall be made except when occasioned by protracted sickness, and then a deduction of one-half may be made for the balance of the term or period of absence.

Signed on behalf of the Committee. William S. Tuttle,

[illegible] Term begins Second Month 6th 1895.

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Joined, Providence, R.I.

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Seventh Month 1st. 1893.

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Resources.

Charitable Scholarship Fund.	$1,000 00
Elizabeth Jee " "	1,000 00
[illegible] Scholarship Fund	3,150 00
L.T. Olney " "	2,337 50
F. L. Tripp	150 00
Day Scholars Tuition	1,684 25
Auxiliary Studies	3,290 32
Boarding Tuition	35,421 52
	$51,733 59

Expenditures.

Salary Account	$15,778 61
Wages	10,402 74
Provisions	12,113 73
Repairs and Renewals	3,451 11
Improvements	615 45
Fuel	1,584 14
Light	928 46
Water	309 22
Advertising	528 16
Library	238 53
Rent and Taxes	[illegible]
Incidentals	270 43
Debts considered bad	[illegible]
Balance, Profit and Loss, for future Improvements	4,769 45
	$51,733 59

Robert P. Rickard.

[illegible]

Samuel R. Buffington } Auditors.
Charles Sisson

the Committee on [illegible] presented the
following Report, viz.:—

Report of the Real Estate Committee.

To The Yearly Meeting.

[illegible] to the Meeting
have occurred in the year past, and the Committee
have not thought it advisable to incur any expense
[illegible] or the [illegible] property for sale,
except to allow the erection of the fifty-two new
Hope and Olney Streets.

Robert P. Gifford,
Clerk of the Real Estate Committee.

Providence, R.I., Sixth Month 1st 1894.

The Report of the Committee in charge of Oak Grove
Seminary and Bailey Institute was presented and
read. This Meeting records its feeling of gratitude
that this institution is making such commendable
progress as an educational and spiritual power.

The same committee is reappointed for service
the coming year, with the substitution of Eliza B.
Congdon in place of Lillian S. Chapman released
on her request.

Report of the Committee In Charge Of Oak Grove
Seminary And Bailey Institute.

In reviewing the work of the past school year we
gratefully acknowledge the goodness and loving kind-
ness of Him through whose blessing upon human
arrangements, and labor, the best results can alone be
realized. Since the guiding hand of our Lord has been
manifested in directing the affairs of Oak Grove School
and for which we have abundant cause to give Him thanks.

The new principal Henry H. Hoxsie, has entered
upon his duties with the beginning of the school year
and proved himself well qualified for the position to
which he was called. [illegible] that
[illegible] institute, to the entire satisfaction of the
Committee. The different departments of school work

[illegible] been in charge of efficient teachers who [illegible]
performed the duties entrusted to them.

[illegible] having no [illegible] to [illegible]. The health of the family has been [illegible] with [illegible] having passed either among the [illegible] days with us. The [illegible] of whom were [illegible] as [illegible] Christians. The [illegible] interest in the school and its [illegible] were clearly indicated by the [illegible] visitors who came to [illegible] the [illegible] exercises. [illegible] and the absence of the [illegible] on the [illegible] and [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible], and a [illegible] of the old fashioned [illegible] [illegible].

The [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] is [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] to this [illegible] of the influence for good likely to be exerted by this class of intelligent young Christians as they go out into the world to fill the positions in life for which their [illegible] and religious training [illegible] have fitted them.

Among the improvements of the past year may be mentioned a new cistern with a capacity of [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in addition to the [illegible]. We have also gratefully to acknowledge the gift of a fine large [illegible] bell, presented to the school by our [illegible] friend [illegible].

Since the establishment of Oak Grove School the religious training of its pupils has had a prominent place in the thought of the Committee in charge, and in the faithful [illegible] of each [illegible]. During the [illegible] this important feature of school work has received a large share of attention and with satisfactory results. A Christian minister who recently visited the school [illegible] his joy at finding that [illegible] of the scholars in the [illegible] stand [illegible] [illegible] Christians. Meetings for [illegible] have been regularly held at which [illegible] [illegible] the minds of the [illegible], in which the pupils have taken a deep interest.

We believe that Oak Grove Seminary and Orphan Institute is filling an important place in the [illegible]

[illegible] and original cost of property in custody of Trustees, and the [illegible] for the year ending the Sixth Month.

Application for admission to be [illegible]

Henry H. Goddard, A. M., Principal.
Oak Grove Seminary and Bailey Institute,
Vassalboro, Maine

On behalf of the Committee,
Charles M. Bailey, Chairman
J. Warren Hawkes, Clerk.

Newport, Sixth Month 8th 1894.

Treasurer's Report, Oak Grove Seminary and Bailey Institute

1893 Receipts.

6th Mo. 1st	To Balance from last year	$ 970 33
	Board and Tuition	5,177 24
	Interest on General Funds	737 76
	Interest on Sibyl Jones Fund	50 33
	" Interest on Mary E. Dustin "	263 28
	Interest from State Treasurer	400 00
	Interest received on Fund	500 00
8th	Received from State	400 00
	" Balance due on Expense	37 50
		$7,864 40

1893 Expenditures

7th Mo. 13th	To cash paid Henry H. Goddard,	
	" on last years salary	$150 00
	To Salary account present year	2,199 99
	" Wages	1,003 86
	" Scholarship	398 00
	" Repairs and Renewals	636 70
	" Provisions	1,694 65
	" Fuel	712 81
	" Lights	54 64
	" Incidentals	185 35
	" Cash paid for Cow	35 00
	" Cash paid on Foreclosure	103.70
		$7,174 70

Balance on Hand. $ 689 70

We have examined the above accounts with vouchers for money paid out and found them correct.

[illegible]

[illegible]

Auditors

The Committee on Education has not had their report. We have been [illegible] in the school, and the [illegible] we [illegible] it to have [illegible] them [illegible] to [illegible].

The same Committee is continued for service the coming year.

Report of The Committee On Education.

[illegible] Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England.

The Committee on Education has accomplished during the year little [illegible] work [illegible] Yearly Meeting, but the members of this Committee have in their individual capacities endeavored to promote the cause of education in their respective localities. Some have visited the schools of the Yearly Meeting as way opened, and have endeavored to promote their interests, while through the instrumentality of other members of the Committee one hundred dollars was raised for the use of the Freedmen's Normal Institute of [illegible], Tenn., a school under the care of the Yearly Meeting.

In the judgment of your Committee, one of the greatest needs of our Yearly Meeting is a more just appreciation of the value of a liberal education, gained not merely from the intellectual standpoint, but acquired under conditions favorable to the nurture of a Christian life, and to those habits of truth for which Friends have always stood. While there are dangers to be encountered by those who engage in intellectual pursuits, as by men in the various other lines of life, experience teaches us that ignorance is a hindrance rather than a help to the spiritual and moral progress.

Children should therefore be educated not alone for the money value, which such an education will be to them, but also for the sake of their minds that they may more effectually become the temples of their Lord in every good and useful way. In obtaining the

[illegible] & to which our children are to be sent this [illegible]
should be kept in view. In our democratic [illegible]
where every member is at least potentially [illegible]
religious leader, it is essential that our youth [illegible]
be trained in an atmosphere in sympathy [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] desire may be impressed [illegible]
and individual effort. Friends should be [illegible]
encouraged wherever it is possible, to send their [illegible]
children to our own schools. There, while [illegible]
[illegible] or a denominational bias do not exist [illegible]
as to cripple the intellectual or religious life, [illegible]
are pervaded by a Friendly atmosphere, [illegible]
[illegible] to pass, in the young, equally to the Society [illegible]
Friends should not think [illegible] encouraged to [illegible]
give their children, wherever it is practicable [illegible]
so, a liberal education, and if [illegible]
be to [illegible] specified thereto.

In view of the Society's history [illegible]
[illegible] is [illegible] needs among its [illegible]
active membership than in its early days, [illegible]
and at no time since have Friends been [illegible]
[illegible] in accordance with the spirit of the [illegible]
age in which it lived, or so efficient in minister- [illegible]
ing to its spiritual needs.

We would advise that all the Lord's people [illegible]
[illegible] prophets, but that they should yield unto [illegible]
their Head, and prepared in every way [illegible]
[illegible] to do His will.

That we are therefore encouraged to promote [illegible]
by all reasonable means the higher education of [illegible]
their children, that no mistaken economy [illegible]
[illegible] hinder the fullest possible [illegible]
preparation for all high and noble work.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

George T. Taylor.
Ruth C. Murray,

Recorded, 5th Month, 1st, 1894.

Financial Statement Of The Committee On Education

Receipts.

Balance in hand [illegible]	$[illegible]
Received from [illegible] Monthly Meeting	4
Received from [illegible] Monthly Meeting	2
Received from [illegible] Monthly Meeting	1 73
Received from Providence Monthly Meeting and elsewhere — money placed in the hands of the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting	500
	$54 38

Expenditures

Expenses connected with the Meeting [illegible]	$13.
Balance on hand	3638
	$54 38

The Committee to nominate a Committee on Correspondence reported the following, viz.: Mary H. Jones, Mary C. Aydelott, and others.

Adjourned to meet in joint session to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

Seventh Day Morning Sixth Month 9th.

The meeting assembled pursuant to adjournment.

The Epistle from New York Yearly Meeting, also from Oregon Yearly Meeting, established last year were read.

The Yearly Meeting's Committee on Peace [illegible] on their report, which is satisfactory, and the visit of the Committee appreciated.

This concern which has so long occupied a [illegible] place in the attachment of the Church, recommends itself to-day to our renewed attention and exertion, realizing as we do that while we are happily living in a time of outward peace, the [illegible] to create war are still active, and our unwavering testimony is still needed.

The Yearly Meeting's Committee [illegible] are requested to attend to this service, the aid of a Friend to represent it in the Peace Association of Friends in America.

appended to this.

"Dymond on War," and "War as it is." The former

England); also illustrated with

Our friend also served the cause very faithfully by the use of the public press, by several public addresses, and by private conversation. He gave some of her conclusions from what she observed.

learn war no more, as foreseen by the prophet, can be brought about in various ways, — by mutual agreement, by arbitration, neutralization, education, [illegible], by disarmament, and by treading down, the "Prince of Peace." Our

attained, the latter presiding at one of the

giving a most excellent address on "Woman's Power in the Home or Sulphress War."

[illegible]

The Report of the Peace Association of Friends in America is presented to the Yearly Meeting. It is well to co-operate with this organization and aid its publications.

The "Advocate of Peace" organ of the American Peace Society, continues its work of enlightenment with increased efficiency. It richly merits a wide circulation.

While there is a distinct advance to be noted in the legislation and Government towards amicable settlements for the peaceful settlement of difficulties between nations and nations, there is still great need of teaching and exemplifying the higher principles of brotherhood and Christian forbearance.

There is a field of reform which invites the attention of our young people's organizations, to whom that there is a noble [illegible] the evil which desires to overthrow wrong and establish rights.

On behalf of the Committee.

Samuel Bufford, Secretary

Report of Lecture Committee.

[illegible] lectures in the interests of Peace have been given by professional lecturers within the limits of the Yearly Meeting.

[illegible] Association of Friends in America, represented by William S. Bartlett, our President of the Association to us more fifteen lectures by a [illegible] of your Committee which arranged for them under its own auspices. One was given at each of the [illegible] and all with satisfactory results.

Our friend Lucy N. Coggeshall, of New York, spent two weeks within the limits of the Yearly Meeting, giving lectures under the direction of the Committee, which awakened an interest in the subject in each locality visited by her. In several [illegible] audiences were large and appreciative.

The public press spoke in high terms of the speakers and the thoughts they advanced and the cause they advocated. In short there is a growing interest in the cause everywhere, although there are hindrances. The flourishing Boys' Brigade and the misdirected military drill in school are formidable obstacles in the way of promoting peace principles. Let each Friend do duty in setting in influence against these misdirected efforts of youth.

The Gospel of Peace according to the golden rule for nations as well as individuals, has been preached by several of our own ministers, and also by some belonging to other religious bodies, since our last report. Our chieftain in the cause, Dr. B. F. Trueblood, has done much public work along these lines, and by increasing the love for, [illegible] as exhibited by a great people [illegible], but by writing articles for [illegible] papers, and by [illegible] well-timed public addresses, and by his [illegible] labors in arranging for the International

[illegible] paid for [illegible] to the [illegible]
[illegible] paid it was [illegible] before.

We have found to [illegible] visiting in the [illegible] of Smith is [illegible] to [illegible] the work of the Committee, [illegible] Christian interest is [illegible] in [illegible].

[illegible] H. J. Bailey,
For the Committee.

Second Ward, Tenn., in account with the Ward Visiting Committee, for [illegible].

Receipts.

5th Mo. 1st, 1893.

[illegible]		[illegible]
[illegible]		[illegible]
"	" [illegible]	3
"	" [illegible]	2
"	" [illegible]	2 70
"	" [illegible]	5 50
"	" [illegible]	[illegible]
"	" [illegible]	[illegible]
"	" [illegible]	1 62
"	" [illegible]	2 01
		$74.28

Expenditures

5th Mo. 1st, 1893

Expended [illegible]	$12 20
Check to H. J. Bailey	27 87
Advertising	12 00
[illegible]	
[illegible]	22 21
	$74 28

The report of the Committee on Visiting the Sick was read.

We have [illegible] the [illegible] of the sick poor to whom we are engaged, and [illegible] to acknowledge the help that has been given to those who have visited cheerfully, faithfully, often times under discouraging circumstances in the [illegible] of the sick. We [illegible]

[illegible] Gospel Work For 18[illegible]

Dear Friends:

[illegible] has endeavored to prosecute the work committed to us, under a clear sense of its importance, and we wish, first of all, to acknowledge the guidance and loving kindness of our heavenly Father, who has given us grace and strength to carry it forward. With deep thankfulness to the Lord of the harvest we again send in our encouragement the blessing of God is invited to fall upon the work upon which [illegible]

[illegible] fully, and with [illegible] the spiritual condition of our Yearly Meeting, the importance and responsibility of which is greatly increased, because of the number [illegible] and around it. Visual life [illegible] you. This need of pastoral care, to give [illegible] encouragement, and tender loving [illegible] requires the united, prayerful, zealous, [illegible] of all the pastoral gifts the Head has placed upon our meeting.

We think there should be systematic visitation of families and individuals, for social religious [illegible] to be spiritually minded with the [illegible] and removed, regular visitation

of Meetings, [illegible] and the Social services, especially Meetings without resident ministers, and when [illegible] should meetings held. In going over [illegible] plan, a very hopeful sign for good is how that the Meetings, almost without exception, are so conscious of their need of greater life that they appreciate a desire for revival services. We should have held revival meetings with more of them, but we could not get the workers and the means.

[illegible] attended the school, and we wish that the larger Meetings that have none [illegible] have one. [illegible] We [illegible] Meetings [illegible] Meetings and the work [illegible] them. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Some have a self-supported pastorate in general ... visit of the Com. Families are visited, and the newly awakened encouraged.

Sandwich Quarter, William C. Brownell, Superintendent. Had not been long in work but have shown good interest in the cause, but for want of rehab. Gradual life is arising in some portions of the Quarterly Meeting. One Meeting that has been very much discouraged has been somewhat revived and new life spread. Several of the Meetings have been visited by some members of the Committee. Two meetings supplied with a Pastor in good unity and appointment. Other Meetings could they have a general awakening, might be cared.

Falmouth Quarter. H. F. Newell, Superintendent. Number of Meetings, six. All but one supplied with Ministry, but if it could be exchanged in some cases it would be much more useful.

Four Meetings have had revivals to some profit.

Marquis L. Thomas and Lydia Langston held a series of meetings at East Dunham. There were some conversions and revivals. Marquis L. Thomas and Henry Newell and wife held a series of two meetings at Windham to some benefit. Had several hopeful conversions reported in this Quarter the last year. Have a degree of life and interest at all their Meetings. Nearly all the families visited. Several professed to have entered into the experience of Holiness, and some have been renewed.

Smithfield Quarter, Salome C. Wheeler, Superintendent. Number of Meetings, seven. Fifty-four Meetings of a revival character have been held. Samuel S. Estes and wife held Meetings at Northbridge, Bolton, and Woonsocket, and visited other Meetings and the families to good satisfaction. They had seasons of their labors with conversions and renewals.

One Meeting is supplied with a pastor. The Meeting at Uxbridge had a marked revival among its members that gives us encouragement.

Quarterly Meeting, was not a powerful visitation;
we passed through but it performed many weighty
work of tender love in calling back many who had
[illegible] cranberries were reclaimed and thirty
five professed conversion, several of them had
[illegible]. They also held Meetings, by invitation
in the Court House [illegible], with
[illegible] conversions, several of them
of the town [illegible]. At the same time Rev.
[illegible] in the evening, which continued three weeks, and
in which [illegible] were converted and received
members. Meetings have also been held at Dover
Mills, Free Union and Brooks.

Fairfield Quarter, Lizzie A. Church, supt. [illegible]
Number of Meetings, seven. Regular [illegible]
[illegible] Five
series of meetings have been held in West Gardiner,
Manchester, Sidney, Fairfield and Hallowell.
[illegible] conducted by
the Superintendent [illegible] and in all
one hundred and eighty-eight services, visiting
families between Meetings. The Lord blessed the
word, awakened sinners, united into penitence and
sought the Lord. Backsliders were reclaimed, old
[illegible] settled, and in each communities felt
the power of the Meetings. The church is much
encouraged, in some places the attendance at the
Meetings has more than doubled. Six of these
[illegible] in the world's great harvest.
[illegible]

Parsonsfield Quarter. Rev. L. Pike, Superintendent
[illegible] Meetings. Four [illegible] Meetings
have been held and families visited, but no special
revival.

Summary Of Work.

Number of Meetings visited	48
Series of Meetings	36
Meetings comprising them	694
Families visited	727
Meetings without continuous service	25
Number of professed conversions	517
" " renewals	122
[illegible] Services	Not reported
Children's Meetings	Not reported
One Quarter reports	Requested 30.

Several professions of Holiness reported.

The General Superintendent has endeavored to give
[illegible] to this work, sending such help
as he could. He has traveled two hundred and thirty
two miles in the work, holding services, meeting with
[illegible] Three revivals were in progress, helping where
he [illegible] which was a necessity, and starting all
[illegible] in an interest for the work. Six Meetings have been

visited by the General Superintendent more than once with two exceptions. One Meeting in Passaltons Quarter has been [illegible]

[illegible]

In addition to the above Meetings, I have [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

In all [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] relative to us. We have had [illegible] in the field since, and as far as we know have given general satisfaction.

In closing we can say, our efforts so far have met with success, but for want of more time, we have not been able to be given to them, though when we have obtained this great salvation, longing that [illegible] might be given and [illegible] this work may be [illegible], so that we may be [illegible] for the same.

[illegible] recommend that the [illegible] be raised on account of the [illegible], and [illegible] for the same.

[illegible]

Received from Treasurer	$630 13
" from Friends in Worcester for the work	60 00
" other sources	10 00
Total amount received	$700 13

Disbursements

For rent [illegible]	[illegible]
Distributed to [illegible] in the direction of the Committee	225 00
Paid rent of Office for Superintendent	12 50
Incidentals	44 63
Total disbursements	$700 13

By direction and on behalf of the Committee.

[illegible] Superintendent
Harriette D. Collins, Secretary

Condensed Report Of Treasurer Of Committee On Gospel Work.

To cash expenses incurred in Gospel Work	$1,072 89
Sixth Month 8th, to cash expenses incurred for Gospel Work	19 60
	$1,092 49
Amount paid Superintendent	630.13
Paid others by order of Superintendent	462 36
Total	$1,092 49

Adjourned to meet in joint session this afternoon at three o'clock

Afternoon, Sixth Month 9th.

[illegible]

[illegible] been by verbal accounts from our friends so recently returned from the Mission at Ramallah, that [illegible] the work is truly blessed of the Lord, and a deep interest is felt for the welfare of the people in that land where the

"Holiest of memories linger in the throng".

The appointment of Daniel E. Mendenhall, Isaac L. Baldwin, Thomas E. Smith, Mahlon E. Sutton, Thomas Foulke, Alice M. Knight, Hannah Cox, Elizabeth H. Thompson, Lydia T. Hall to attend the Yearly Meeting of Friends to a Foreign Mission Committee for the ensuing year.

[illegible]

[illegible] Committee

The Committee on Girls' Mission [illegible] Meeting the following report of [illegible]

In presenting to you at this time a report of our work during the last year we would commend the [illegible] established in His name on the Hills of Judea. The [illegible] the need and the [illegible] accommodations at the Mission House at Ramallah seemed to indicate the need of some personal supervision on the part of the Committee.

Our friends Lincoln and Anna Hussey, were visited to visit Ramallah and see what could be done to further the work and strengthen the hands of our beloved and devoted missionaries. They felt the responsibility was too great for one but [illegible] assume and at the advice of the Committee invited William and Susan J. Thompson to accompany them and share the burden. These friends cheerfully consented and the party of four started in First-Month for their distant field.

We feel that the thanks of the Committee are due to these friends who were willing to take this long journey at their own expense, and devote so much time and labor to this interesting work.

On their arrival at Ramallah they found some needed changes, which had not been made necessary for the comfort of the inmates of the Home and immediately set about to rectify the matter.

The [illegible] at the south end of the building was originally floored over with lime mortar, and being in such constant use for mixing bedding, drying clothes, and [illegible] grapes in the season of raisin making, it was found the mortar worked up badly in making, and the floor began to leak, which would soon prove a damage to the ceiling of the room below. It was thought best to remove all the lime and replace the floor with flat stone laid in fine cement, which was done, making a substantial improvement.

Five new double desks for the Training Home

girls were built of wooden slats with lids hinged in front. The old one removed to one of the newly erected day schools.

A plain stone wall four feet wide, bordered with [illegible] was built some two hundred feet [illegible] for the reception of the oil in the north yard.

The trees on the premises, of which we have sixteen kinds now bearing fruit, and five or six kinds of ornamental, were carefully trimmed; and will be of great value to the Mission both for their fruit and beauty.

In looking to the future development of the work, and especially to the needs of the new Training Home when built, it was felt that the supply of water would be quite inadequate to the family necessities demand. After [illegible] of back ground as to how the land came to the Mission Land was secured on which an excavation was made for a cistern estimated to hold one hundred thousand gallons of water. This cistern now about completed will be a most invaluable in this thirsty land.

Plans for the new Training Home have been put into the hands of our American Consul at Jerusalem who will [illegible] the matter to the local authorities and take the necessary steps to procure a "firman" from Constantinople for the erection of the new building.

The accompanying report of the work of the year was received from our Secretary at Damascus. The year past has been one of varying experiences, but through all we are thankful to our Heavenly Father for his watchful care and upholding power.

The various departments of the work have all been carried on as usual. The Training Home contains twenty-one girls from eight to eleven years of age.

These are divided into three classes. There are nine in the first class, some of whom have been with us several years and are now being trained as teachers. Besides their lessons in the Home they act in turn as assistant teachers in the day school, and have a very good opportunity for practice. The girls in the

[illegible] his own [illegible].

[illegible] is well carried on by the very efficient teacher, Julia [illegible]. [illegible] attending and teaching their [illegible], [illegible] interest in [illegible], and [illegible] better, but [illegible] practice in their [illegible] school.

There is a Boys' School also, [illegible] Harlem [illegible]; its [illegible] are much [illegible] by the establishment of a [illegible], [illegible] hope to [illegible] it to [illegible] [illegible].

The First-Day Meetings have been well attended. [illegible] and Boys' Day [illegible] present. The First-Day School has been [illegible] and interesting and is a very encouraging feature of the work.

[illegible] regularly [illegible], and the [illegible] conducted with much order. [illegible] the [illegible] weather, and the overseers have brought forward the cases, and administered the [illegible] in due form.

[illegible] have all been [illegible] in different [illegible] of the [illegible] visited [illegible] to the [illegible] Select Meetings, [illegible] and sermons given by our Bible Teacher, Emily Huntington. [illegible] for [illegible] and the needed [illegible] for [illegible] coal. [illegible] this [illegible], [illegible] sewing, and [illegible] baskets of coal to sick and [illegible] families in [illegible]. In the [illegible] [illegible] and one or another will [illegible] to [illegible] and ask

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] this report, which is interesting and satisfactory, showing that much efficient work has been accomplished during the year.

[illegible] Committee on Foreign Missions is requested also to [illegible] Indians.

In connection with the report it is concluded [illegible] Bishops, be directed by the Church, to proceed to Washington to confer with [illegible] matters pertaining to the welfare of the Indian [illegible] and to use such influence as they may [illegible] Indians.

Report of Committee on Indian Missions.

[illegible] work under the care of the Central Indian and Oklahoma Territories has met with a serious loss in the death of our valued superintendent, Rev. Charles W. Kirk, who passed to his eternal home last [illegible] Month. His wife, who had long been associated with him in his work among the Indians, consented to act in that capacity, until a suitable Friend could be found to take the position. Faithful [illegible] work has been carried on [illegible] as heretofore. In this we are reminded that God removes His workers yet carries on His work.

[illegible] report of the Executive Committee [illegible] mittee reports that [illegible] and two public [illegible] meetings have been held the past year, [illegible] in all, four monthly, twelve quarterly, and twenty-six [illegible] meetings, besides several out-station [illegible] meetings are sometimes held. A number of cases of [illegible] are reported in different localities attended by many professed conversions, and considerable accessions to the membership of some Meetings. The total membership is nine hundred and thirty-six, of whom four hundred and six are Indians. The net increase for the year has been seven Indians

members and one hundred and twenty white. The increase of white members is due to the great immigration of white people to the vicinity within two years. Two meeting houses are now erected, and at Miami City, to which place a second colored is required, and another where Col. Thomas's station is held. The former has the most encouraging claim upon us. Eight members of this church belong to a previous church; they are very much exercised.

Christiana. At Red Stone this church is held in a log-house 20 feet square, and can't contain all that attend, nor get into it, and persons who do are obliged to stand. Often hundreds collect and are raised around the building, the members of this to furnish the rest; but we have thirty-two forty-eight feet and seven in.

The Indian mission is under the care of Isaac Blackledge. In a letter received from him he says, "The dear Lord has blessed us in our work, and has given us the hearts of the people. We have very efficient helps in the Indians, in both languages and the knowledge of Christianity." The number of the church attending are twenty-six in the ministry. Their meetings are held in the home of Charles Beaupre, Jr. a pleasant place for such an one, with increased interest.

The Ottawa mission now numbers one hundred and four members, forty-six of whom are Indians.

Israel H. Walton, a young man described as an indefatigable Christian worker, with a fair education, has the oversight of the flock here, and also Miami City.

The Committee has held one half of its last year. Correspondence with him, and reading about the mission, must cheer and encourage all. The school-house has been enlarged, and will be used, and there are now two hundred and seven pupils in the school, and a waiting list. Many applications for teachers of the school.

How often should such a person wish to teach it, not, as in the world, he might not still have the faith. Continually he appears to teach the children, and with the utmost. The school

[illegible] foundation, and generally repaired, and now the school is taught in it. Sixty one scholars have been enrolled. The charge sixty-five cents a week for those who are able to pay, and use the amount received in repairing the buildings.

[illegible] conversion in different parts of the house.

The hearts of the people were so touched, that he continued the meetings two weeks, and [illegible] is organized here. At one time these Endeavorers [illegible] provisions and money, and had a prayer meeting with him, which resulted in his conversion.

Seneca and Wyandotte Meetings continue in a healthy condition, and a growth in the membership is apparent.

Wyandotte Mission is still under the care of Rev. C. Nelson; his daughter has had charge of the school the same as last year.

The building has been repaired at Shawnee Town, the home of the late Dr. Kirk, and where his widow still lives; it numbers sixty-three members, more than two thirds of whom are Indians.

Miss Neal, whose home is in Cincinnati, a few miles distant, attends this meeting. Three Indian members have been added during the year.

The boarding-school at the Mexican Kickapoo Station still continues. At one time during the last year, the funds of the school were exhausted, and the danger seemed imminent at one time, of the children having to be sent to camp life, with its temptations. Letters were collected in various ways, sufficient to tide over the immediate difficulties.

The work among the wilder tribes in Oklahoma Territory has progressed as well as the [illegible]

to cause steadfastness among its members.

A very interesting account of the influence of a Bible of one of our Friend teachers came to us. The young Indian became a Christian while at school, the change in his life being observed by all about him; his education was cut short by failing health, and he died soon after returning home; the bond between the young man and his father was very great and they loved each other dearly. The young man on starting home told his father that he became a Christian, and exacted a promise from him, to live according to Christ's teachings as made known to them. Time passed by; a new and strange belief, the Ghost dance came among the Indians; almost all their influential men joined the new party, but all his old comrades' influence was unsuccessful in inducing Big Nose, the boy's father to go with them. A number of his old friends called, in trying to win him, to their side, but from him the following; "You know my son, who was away to school and came back and died; he did not live long, but he told me all about what he had learned of the white man's God, and before he died, he said, 'I am going to die soon, I am not afraid to die, I am going to Heaven to be with God, and I father I want you to promise me that you will live as I have told you, and then we will meet again in Heaven.' I believed my son, and I promised him; I am an old man now, not much longer to live. No, my friends I cannot go with you." Big Nose remained firm, lived a Christian life, and died in triumphant faith.

It meant a good deal to teach those who come to us in moccasins and blankets the elements of industrial training, that shall show them how to live right and enable them to do it. But above all, in all and through all, is the gospel of Christ, which is the power of God, to their salvation.

Perhaps no Mission to the Heathen have been more blessed than many of those to the wild lawless savages. Heathens who were barbarians in heart and in deed are now true disciples of Christ, like gentlemen, and the trailing, blear

being made glad by them, the mission in some [illegible] the time when God will make [illegible] over a kingdom.

The amount to be raised by the different Yearly Meetings is $ 1000. We recommend that $823 be [illegible] ded. We also ask that the treasury of our committee [illegible] be cleansed, not only by a collection in our Yearly [illegible] but by efforts made in all our Monthly Meetings, [illegible] ing up the amount to $1,000.

In the Committee
Hiram E. Lye, Secretary.

[illegible] Read & Received Sixth y. 7, 1894.

Sixth Month 7th. 1894.

Treasurer's Report of Committee on Western Indians:—

Balance from last year	$ 38 75
Received from collection at Scotland Yearly Meeting	116 66
Rec'd from Monthly Meeting Treasurers	$252 65
Received from Isaac Sharp of England	$25 00
" " [illegible] Oak Hill School	11 [illegible]
" " Amesbury " "	6 06
" " Worcester	10 00
" " Manchester, Me.	1 00
" " New Bedford Indian Association	25 00
" " John B. Baulis, New Bedford	5 00
" " Friends in New Bedford, by	
" " E. T. Tucker	25 00
[illegible] Yearly Meeting, Md. by	
Priscilla Gifford	10 [illegible]
[illegible] Collection	2 5[illegible]
	131 56
Total receipts	554 56.

Expenditures

Paid dividend of Yearly Meeting Abolitionment	$ 43 00
" for expenses of R. M. Bodine	239 00
" donation to R. M. Bodine	48 00
" " to John T. Mendenhall	30 00
" " to Marion Fisher	63 00
" to assistance of R. M. Bodine	85 00
Balance now on hand	5 56
Total	$548.56

Samuel Bacon
Treasurer of the Committee.

The Committee to consider the Minutes Reading that Committee presented their report which is approved, the appointment is made, and the names will appear later.

The Representatives are requested to consider the following subjects, named in the accounts from the Quarterly Meeting, viz. :—

From Salem — "Feeling that the requirement of the Yearly Meeting, as stated in a Minute sent down in 1873, directing that Monthly Meetings report definitely the number of members who are not in the daily practice of reading the Holy Scriptures, has not proved in its practical working to be wise or beneficial, we earnestly request the Yearly Meeting to reconsider its action in the matter."

From Mill Field — "This meeting is united in requesting the Yearly Meeting to insert in our Book of Discipline a brief statement of our doctrinal views on the subjects of Water Baptism and the Lord's Supper, so called, that those who may be seeking membership with us may find the Scriptural reasons referred to by our early Friends that all true and sincere, so called [illegible] and in Christ. We are also united in requesting that the Yearly Meeting take more definite in the Discipline, the duties of Monthly Meetings in regards the [illegible] of Friends travelling in the ministry, both

[illegible] under the direction of Robert Gifford in reference to the appointment of Representatives, etc.

Adjourned to meet in joint session to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Second Day Morning, Sixth Month 11th.

The meeting convened pursuant to adjournment, in joint session.

[illegible] morning, [illegible] ister, [illegible] with credentials [illegible] Yearly [illegible]

Epistles have been read from our Friends of [illegible]

[illegible] Epistle, [illegible] four [illegible] Epistles, viz:—

[illegible] Meeting, [illegible] Meeting, [illegible] Meeting, [

Name of Minister (Deceased)	Date of Death	Age in Years. (Or in what year of life.)
Samuel Haines	Fifth Month 7th, 1893	Eighty-seventh.
Phineas W. Cox	Twelfth Month 13th, 1893	Seventy-eighth.
Samuel S. Purdington	Fourth Month 6th, 1894	Fifty-ninth.

Name of Elder (Deceased)	Date of Death	Age in years (Or in what year of life)
Hannah A. Brightman	Sixth Month 20th, 1893	Sixtieth
Eliza A. Taber	Ninth Month 17th, 1893	Sixty-third
David B. Wheeler	Tenth Month 14th, 1893	Seventy-first
Hezekiah Binns	Second Month 8th, 1894	Sixty-seventh
Rhoda H. Buffington	Second Month 27th, 1894	Eighty-fourth.
Ephraim Gifford	Third Month 13th, 1894	Eighty-third

Note — The Report for the next yearly meeting should be sent to the Clerk of the yearly meeting on or before the first day of the Sixth Month.

The Committee in charge of the Permanent Fund [illegible] their Annual Report which is satisfactory and the same Committee is continued with the addition of Samuel Paulson. Names of Committee, Alfred H. Lee, Lewis Jones, Edward Paige, Ruth T. Brinan, Sarah Mabbe, J. Warren Hawkes, Susan Peckham, and Samuel Bufford.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor presented their Annual Report which is satisfactory and encouraging, and we desire for our young friends that they may grow in the precious truth and that the influence from the Church may be increased in their midst and more efficient.

Adjourned to meet in joint session this afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

[illegible] P.M.

Friends met in joint session pursuant to adjournment.

The report of the Finance Committee on [illegible], being the unfinished business, was taken up, read and approved.

The consideration of this important subject has resulted in the conviction in the minds of your Committee that a monthly meeting, the receipt of information of the amounts needed for the several objects for which money is raised, a certain day in each month, based on the regular [illegible] of the Meeting of Sept., thus furnishing their Finance Committee with data as to the minimum amounts required; and Monthly Meetings Finance Committees are encouraged to [illegible] the receipt of the various objects for our [illegible] as they may need, by [illegible] through the month as [illegible].

And it is [illegible] that the distribution of [illegible] be made [illegible] the Finance Committee in the prosecution of her duties.

Contributions From The Monthly, Sectional Boards & Particular Objects of the Yearly Meeting, &c.

Reported & Read by T. A. Scott, Assistant Secretary.

Note. Some contributions came in after this Report was made up.

Rhode Island Families. Ladies.

Monthly Meetings	Home [illegible]	Foreign [illegible]	Western [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Education	Other	Totals
[illegible]	$14 45		$23 40	$11 47	$8 [illegible] 5	$3 15		$2 70	$57 [illegible]
Greenwich									
Swansea	99 65	$92 43	25 23	20 70	6 65	20 14	$3.92	7 59	276 [illegible]
Providence	3 25	23 50	15 50	38 03	3 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	94 28
South [illegible]	1 30	2 50	5 25			1 55			10 60

[illegible] Quarterly Meeting

[illegible]	$6 75	$44 10	$28 [illegible]	$ 75	$4 75	$4 90	$4 00	$4 00	$172 17
[illegible]	11 00	1 50	4 75	2 00	3 00	8 00	—	5 50	35 75
[illegible]	3 00	4 25	4 25	2 25	—	3 00	—	—	16 75
Boston	—	—			2 82	—	—	1 62	4 44

Sandwich Quarterly Meeting

[illegible], Hall	—	[illegible]					—	—	[illegible]
[illegible]							—		
Westport	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		$3	—	[illegible]	31 [illegible]
[illegible]	—	—	—			—			—

[illegible] Quarterly Meeting

[illegible]	$7 [illegible]	$7 50	$16 [illegible]	—	—	—	$2 [illegible]	$3 00	$36 24
[illegible]	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
[illegible]	75		—	—	—	—	—	—	75
[illegible]	5 00	5 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	10 0

Smithfield Quarterly Meeting

[illegible]	$5 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	$5 00
Uxbridge	91 00	$128 00	$92 00	$63 00	$10 00	$18 00	—	$10 00	404 00
Bolton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	.50	—	—	—	2[illegible] 10

Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting

Vassalboro	$10 25	—	$ 25	—	$ 25	$1.50	—	—	$12 25
Clinia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		—
Unity	5 00	—	—	—	—	—	—		5 00
Maple Grove	1 45	$2 00	—	—		—	—		3 45

[illegible] Quarterly Meeting

Dover	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Berwick	—	$1 [illegible]	$2 00	—	—	—	—	—	$5 01

Fairfield Quarterly Meeting

Sidney	—	$5 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	$5 00
Winthrop	$15 75	—	—	$3 00		$24 35	—	—	43 10
St. Albans	—	4 75	—	—		1 09	—	—	5 84

Fairfield Quarterly Meeting

Sandwich, N. H.	$10 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	$11 [illegible]
Fairfield		$14 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	14 00
Totals	$376 45	$376 53	$252 65	$183 90	$33 32	$90 68	$12 93	$39 41	$1,365 87
Reported last year									2,022 91
Decrease in Col'ns									$657 04

The Epistle from Yearly Meeting for 1894 was read.

The Committee for that purpose presented [illegible] which is satisfactory and they are directed.

The Committee for that purpose recommend the appointment of a Committee on Foreign Mission which is satisfactory and same is appointed.

This Committee to be supplemented by an auxiliary to be nominated by the Representatives.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Gospel Work and of a Church Extension Board presented their report.

[illegible] the Gospel Work is allowed, and the following arrangements made, viz.:—

As for the Gospel Work we believe that, at the present, the [illegible] should be carried on as at present, the Committee to consist of the Superintendent for each Quarterly Meeting and three members of the Yearly Meeting at large.

We propose that the following persons constitute the Committee for the ensuing year, viz.:—

Committee on Report No. 2.

Organization

Chairman, David [illegible]
Secretary, [illegible]
Treasurer, Joseph E. Briggs

[illegible]

Rhode Island, [illegible]. Smithfield, [illegible].
Salem, [illegible]. Providence, [illegible].
Sandwich, [illegible]. Dover, [illegible].
Falmouth, [illegible]. Fairfield, [illegible]

Barnstable, Silas [illegible].

At large

[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

The recommendation in regard to Church Extension had claimed our earnest and prayerful consideration and with a little [illegible] is adopted and the accompanying statements are confirmed, viz.:—

"We are united in recommending that a Board of [illegible] be chosen each year, to have charge of the general work of [illegible]

"Also, to assist in building new houses of worship, and in [illegible] the spread of Christ's kingdom within and [illegible] their limits.

[illegible]

Chairman,
Secretary,
Treasurer,

Church Extension Board

For one year.
Charles A. Chace.
[illegible]

For two years.
Thomas Wood.
[illegible]

For three years.
[illegible]

Trustees
[illegible], one year.
[illegible], two years.
[illegible], three years.

[illegible] Institute, which is approved, and the needs of that institution have claimed our attention.

A sum of $75 received on the Girls' Debt account is appropriated to the use of the Freedmen's Committee.

The request for an appropriation of $200 is referred to the Finance Committee.

The Committee is continued with the addition of George A. Barton and Susan F. Hoxie.

Report Of The Committee On Freedmen.

[illegible] Meeting.

[illegible] Eight teachers were employed for the year just [illegible]; the number enrolled exceeding that of the year previous by forty-seven, and the number of graduates were two more.

With the limited capability of our buildings [illegible] the continued demand for accommodations which we could [illegible] two hundred pupils, [illegible] eighty-five [illegible] but [illegible] tuition. We have not been favored as yet to receive the much-needed income from the investments held in trust for the expenses of Riverville School, and the Christian zeal and self-sacrificing labor of our principal, L. H. Garner, is [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] useful

Financial Statement.

Receipts.

Balance from Treas. Year ending June 30th 1890	$1 450 09
" " " " " 1891	60 00
" " " " " 1892	
Tuition	500 00
Incidental Expenses	
Interest on Bank Deposits	183 90
Rent	73 46
	$2,376 45

Expenditures

Paid Treas.	926 32
" for aid to students from Peabody Fund	1450 13
	$2.376 45

To the Committee,
Robert N. Clifford, Treasurer.

Annual

	1
	200
	5
	37
	102
	10

Annual Report is our, filled with thanks
to our Heavenly Father that [illegible]
[illegible] with us through the
year, for having been so manifestly present with
us, manifested by the students, [illegible]
[illegible] Christ to their Savior and living
as teachers, while [illegible] the
[illegible] of this Christian School.

A Christian Normal School, with [illegible]

...ree organizer among the workers with encouraging
...ults, the meetings having been greatly blessed in
...arousing a general spiritual interest. Realiz-
...ing the necessity of the work, I have
...urged upon the workers to seek the power of the Holy
...Spirit in order to live a clean and godly life
with Christ.

L. H. Cox, Principal.

Fifth Month 31st, 1894.

We are informed that all the Quarterly Meetings have paid or directed their Treasurers to pay to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting their respective quotas of Yearly Meeting stock.

The Treasurer of the George Sturge, Benjamin Reynolds, and Henry Cope Funds have been audited and approved, viz.:—

The Annual Report of the Trustees of the George Sturge, Benjamin Reynolds, And Henry Cope Funds.

Financial Statement

George Sturge Fund.

Receipts

Balance from last year	$19 35
Coupons paid Ninth Month 14th	727 50
" " Second Month 6th, 1894	727 50
Interest on Deposits	3 14
	$1,477 49

Expenditures

Rent in Safe Deposit	$11 00
Assisting Students Fall Term	515 57
" " Spring Term	934 52
Balance for new account	17 40
	$1,477 49

Benjamin Reynolds Fund

Receipts

Dividend 55 shares Erie Railway	$4.50
" 50 " " "	7.50
	$9.

Expenditures

Paid Month 12th, 1894, Paid Freedmans

committee $9 00

Receipts

Balance from last year $7 23

Interest in Building Fund 60 00

$67 23

Expenditures

Paid Committee on Freedom Third Month 12th, 1894 $30 00

Balance for new account 7 23

$67 23

Signed,

Thomas R. Pullen,

Augustine Jones.

The Bible School Committee's report has been read and adopted.

The appointed Reader, Thomas Pullen, Jr., Augustine Jones, Edith Parker, Esther Parker, Mary Jones and Marcella E. Cadwallader, Committee, and Thomas Pullen, Superintendent of Bible School.

Bible School.

Second Month 11th, 1894.

Dear Friends, — We have forty-eight scholars in the Bible School with a total membership of one hundred and three. The average attendance during the past year has been thirty-three. The Bible School has contributed during the year to the Freedmen's Aid Association, leaving a balance to be accounted for next year.

The Bible School Building Fund has been increased by the addition of "Juvenile Mission" Fund to the Building Fund, and

[illegible] Sabbath, [illegible] it is recorded, [illegible] Sabbath-schools, [illegible] interest [illegible] Sabbath-schools [illegible] interest it being maintained.

[illegible] the statistics in our last issue, the leading school in point of membership and attendance is the East Lone Chapel in Salem [illegible], which reports a membership of two hundred, and average attendance of one hundred and thirteen. It reports having had through the year a total membership of two hundred and [illegible] conferences, [illegible]. [illegible] in Salem, two; in Keizer, two; in Macleay, two; in Talmage, one; in Scio, three; in Stayton, one; in Fairview, one; in Lone Pine, none; in Fairfield, none; and in Garden Home, one. [illegible] Sabbath-schools [illegible] attended [illegible]. In some Quarters as will be noted, two conferences are held each year, and we think none should let the year [illegible] without holding at least one conference.

[illegible] conference has been held during the year, but we think one should be arranged for in the near future. With the limited amount of time given to Sabbath-school work, [illegible] should be much interest in the cause to [illegible] good results. Conferences each year [illegible] from which should emanate more [illegible] to devise a better interest in quantity and quality of Sabbath-school work.

Records. [illegible] in securing [illegible] and systematic reports from the schools, it will take the hearty co-operation of the workers, and [illegible] to this end [illegible] record-book is issued to meet the needs for keeping [illegible] a complete and yet simple record of membership, attendance, and other items of interest.

[illegible]

Libraries. [illegible]

good books at the lowest cost. A part of this plan [illegible] and twenty books had already been [illegible] it being the intention that [illegible] should be [illegible] desirable. The [illegible] school library is a matter of much importance. [illegible] should not be tolerated that are in any way equal in their influence, but those of a [illegible] nature should be excluded, and only those placed in the hands of our young readers that will exert a positively beneficial influence in a moral, religious, or educational way. In these times of the abundance of wholesome and attractive books for the young, there is no excuse for placing in their hands those of any other nature. The Sabbath-School Library, [illegible] in country districts, as well as in towns and cities, is made of [illegible]

Within the last two months we have made [illegible] to a number of [illegible] in the vicinity that we were to hold [illegible] and to [illegible] their having raised a [illegible] several [illegible] in this way and we [illegible] nothing in that direction.

It is desirable that any [illegible] in the Sabbath-[illegible] a knowledge of [illegible] good books for the Sabbath-[illegible]

[illegible] committee by naming the work, that they may be remembered in our list.

Visitation. To [illegible] the greater need of our work is the occasional visitation of same by [illegible] and Quarterly Meeting Superintendents and other interested workers. Since these are not [illegible] in the case of our [illegible] schools, this visitation must naturally devolve upon the Quarterly Meeting Superintendent, in their respective Quarters. How much inspiration and help the schools might derive from an occasional visit of a live and interested worker, it is [illegible] to estimate. [illegible] reminded of the fact that often (possibly [illegible] the Quarterly Meeting Superintendent is a [illegible] school, but in accordance with the principles on which we do our work in the Society of Friends [illegible] each [illegible] to furnish at least one person who could accomplish this work.

[illegible] returns could be secured from the various [illegible] by using [illegible] to return to the Clerk the [illegible] duly collected, sent under the needful [illegible] in each locality, section is not large, since distance [illegible] could be overcome by the [illegible] of each. If each [illegible] could take this matter in hand, [illegible] to the work, [illegible] the proper occasion to travel [illegible] appointed visits might be secured, reached in the simplest manner, and the interest and [illegible] in our Schools increased. We may not [illegible] in carrying out the plan, but there is [illegible] "Where there is a will there's always a way."

[illegible] Schools [illegible] to [illegible] established during the year [illegible] with the [illegible] Boards.

[illegible] fifteen [illegible] to its [illegible]

[illegible]

In trust the coming year may be one of [illegible] Bible School work, and that in [illegible] will be made to [illegible]

On behalf of the Committee,
George L. Cannon.

Church of J. C. of L. D. S., Salt Lake City, Utah, Nov. 11th, 1894.

[illegible]

Receipts.

[illegible] $ 34 15
Received from the Treasurer of the Monthly Meetings - 37 [illegible]
$ 83 [illegible]

Expenditures.

12th Nov. 29th, 1893, Paid George C. Hubbert & Co., Printing $ 4 00
6th " 6th 1894 Record
Books
Sabbath School Tickets
Hire of room
for School at Logan, Utah, for 1 day 5
Balance
$ 83 [illegible]

C. W. Penrose, Treasurer.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

Quarterly Meeting.	Location of School.	Local Superintendent's Name and Address.	Monthly Meeting.	Membership of School.	Average Attendance.	No. of Friends.	No. of Classes.	No. Evidencing Change of Heart During Year.	Is Religious Interest Increasing?	Are Teachers' Meetings Held?	Volumes in Library.	Books Added During Year.	Lesson Helps Used.	Kinds of Papers Used.	Number of Papers Distributed.	Temperance Lessons.	Peace Lessons.	Is Children's Day Observed?	Months of School.
Rhode Island.	Portsmouth	John B. Grinnell, Portsmouth, R. I.	Rhode Island	45	27	–	5	–	–	No	400	153	A	2	240	4	–	No	12
	Newport	R. C. Wetherell	Rhode Island	40	25	15	5	0	–	No	450	10	–	2	600	12	0	No	12
	Lower Smithfield, Providence	Louisa N. Meader, 33 Barton St., Pawtucket	Providence	80	50	24	6	12	Yes	–	125	0	G, B, H	4	660	12	2	No	12
	Providence	Robert P. Gifford, Providence, R. I.	Providence	30	23	25	4	–	Yes	No	200	0	D	1	60	–	–	No	–
	Somerset	G. M. Chace, Box 355, Fall River	Swansea	94	47	61	9	2	Yes	No	269	70	B, A	6	1350	4	0	No	12
	Fall River	Herbert A. Skinner, Fall River	Swansea	102	59	48	9	–	Yes	Irregular	308	0	A, D, E	5	3180	4	0	No	12
	East Greenwich	Lydia E. Drinkwater, E. Greenwich, R. I.	E. Greenwich	12	9	9	2	0	Yes	No	120	0	B, I	None	–	1	0	No	12
		Totals		403	240	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Salem.	Amesbury	Daniel C. Maxfield, 12 R. R. Ave., Amesbury,	Amesbury	53	33	40	5	–	–	None	260	8	A, B	4	660	4	–	No	12
	Boston	Thomas Wood, 215 State St., Boston	Boston	45	28	44	4	–	–	Weekly	200	–	A, B	2	600	4	0	No	12
	East Lynn	Chas. E. Bishop, 40 Ireson Ave., Lynn	Salem	200	113	–	19	–	Yes	None	350	101	A	2	–	4	1	Yes	12
	Henniker			–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	Lawrence	Stephen Swett, Haverhill, Mass.	Boston	85	70	48	7	–	–	Quarterly	70	–	B	2	540	4	2	No	12
	Lowell	Chas. Kelley, Lowell, Mass.	Boston	8	7	7	1	–	Yes	None	–	–	B	–	–	1	1	No	12
	Lynn	Geo. C. Herbert, 17 Chatham St., Lynn	Salem	131	83	58	16	4	Yes	Irregular	840	43	A, D	3	–	4	None	Yes	12
	North Weare	Harriet N. Jones, North Weare, N. H.	Weare	27	21	20	3	–	–	None	509	1	A, B, F	3	–	4	–	No	12
	Salem			25	17	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	South Pittsfield	A. N. Peaslee, So. Pittsfield, N. H.	Amesbury	–	–	7	4	–	No	None	–	0	A	None	–	4	None	No	12
	West Epping	Moses O. Nichols, West Epping, N. H.	Amesbury	12	8	12	2	–	–	None	75	12	F	None	–	–	–	No	12
		Totals		586	380	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Sandwich.	Allen's Neck			94	52	31	10	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	Mattapoisett			25	17	8	3	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	Smith's Neck			50	24	12	6	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	Central Village			46	33	–	5	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	Central Village																		
	Wayside Mission,			57	40	6	5	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	Long Plain			28	13	22	3	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	Acushnet			10	6	10	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	New Bedford	Nat'l W. Gifford		175	90	20	12	–	–	–	440	70	–	2	–	4	–	–	10
		Totals		485	278	109	45	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

Falmouth.	Casco	S. A Hall, Casco, Me.	Windham	181	14	9	2	0	–	No	74	4	A	4	–	4	–	No	12
	Deering	Wm. I. Hacker, Westbrook, Me.	Falmouth	[illegible]	18	21	3	–	–	No	184	17	A	4	–	4	–	No	12
	East Durham	Mahlon D. Goddard, Lisbon Falls, Me.	Durham	42	35	20	4	0	Yes	No	208	60	B	4	480	4	0	No	12
	Lewiston	J. F. Richards, 68 Wood St., Lewiston	Lewiston	95	64	50	11	2	Yes	No	208	60	B	4	480	4	0	No	12
	Portland	Fred C. Dearborn, 44 Winter St., Portland	Falmouth	84	49	66	7	1	Yes	No	243	26	A, B	None	–	4	0	No	12
	South Durham	Henry M. Snow, South Durham, Me.	Durham	–	35	–	7	–	Yes	Weekly	116	–	A	1	–	4	–	Yes	12
	Windham	Elijah Cook, Windham Centre	Windham	40	19	29	4	0	No	No	220	–	None	2	144	4	–	No	12
		Totals		307	234	195	38	3			1253	167	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Smithfield.	Bolton	Alfred Dow, Hudson, Mass.	Bolton	55	39	35	7	0	–	No	292	0	–	1	–	0	0	No	–
	West Mansfield	None Appointed	Woonsocket	6	4	6	1	–	–	No	–	0	–	1	–	0	0	No	–
	Northbridge	Salome C. Wheeler, Uxbridge, Mass.	Uxbridge	18	15	7	3	5	–	No	150	0	B	4	96	0	0	No	12
	Worcester	D. M. Babcock, 17 Sudbury St.	Uxbridge	20	13	14	2	0	Yes	No	300	0	A, B, F	4	386	4	1	No	12
	Woonsocket	James S. Read, Woonsocket	Smithfield	181	102	36	11	–	–	Weekly	553	60	A, B	3	900	2	2	No	12
		Totals		280	173	98	24	5			1295	60	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Va-salboro.	Brooks	Mary Staples, Brooks, Me.	Unity	40	20	10	3	–	No	No	50	30	A	–	–	4	2	–	9
	China	Geo. E. Roberts, China, Me.	China	30	25	20	3	–	–	No	85	35	–	–	–	–	–	–	12
	East Vassalboro	Abbie P. Jenkins, East Vassalboro	Vassalboro	30	20	15	3	0	No	Irregular	165	14	A	2	770	4	4	No	12
	Maple Grove	John W. Plummer, Fort Fairfield, Me.	Unity	30	22	9	–	0	No	No	0	–	A	–	–	2	2	–	9
	South China	Emma L. Plaisted, South China, Me.	China	70	45	43	6	2	Yes	–	150	18	A, B	–	–	4	–	Yes	12
	Unity	Etta M. Varney, Unity, Me.	Unity	25	20	20	3	0	No	No	No	–	G	–	–	2	–	No	12
	West China	Alfred H. Jones, China, Me.	China	20	18	10	–	0	Yes	No	?	–	G	–	–	–	–	Yes	12
		Totals		245	170	127	18	2			450	147	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dover.	Dover	Alice R. Estes, 36 Silver Street, Dover.	Dover	20	12	18	3	–	–	No	–	–	B	1	72	4	0	No	12
	Gonic	Clarance I. Pinkham, Gonic, N. H.	Dover	45	21	22	3	?	Yes	No	174	–	A	3	–	4	0	No	12
	North Berwick	William T. Hussey	Berwick	10	6	10	1	–	–	–	–	–	A	–	–	–	–	–	12
	Rochester	Eli Meader, Rochester, N. H.	Dover	20	6	15	3	–	–	–	–	–	G	1	–	–	–	–	–
		Totals		95	45	65	10	–			174		–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	Augusta	James Plummer, cor. Court and Chestnut Sts.	Winthrop	31	14	8	3	–	–	–	None	–	A	2	500	4	1	No	12
	Hallowell	A. F. Morse, Hallowell, Me.	Winthrop	20	10	10	3	–	–	No	–	–	B	–	–	–	–	No	12
	Manchester	Alfred W. Hawkes, Manchester, Me.	Winthrop	41	28	20	3	1	–	–	–	–	A	6	795	4	–	No	12
	North Fairfield	Geo. R. Wing, North Fairfield, Me.	Sidney	45	22	21	5	15	Yes	–	175	100	A	1	100	4	–	No	12
	Sidney	Sarah E. Shephard, Centre Sidney	Sidney	30	23	10	4	9	–	–	–	1	A	–	–	4	1	Yes	12
	St. Albans	Jesse W. Chandler, St. Albans, Me.	St. Albans	34	13	16	3	0	No	No	None	–	B	2	10	4	0	No	12
	Winthrop Centre	C. I. Bailey, Winthrop Centre, Me.	Winthrop	156	83	66	11	–	–	Weekly	337	0	A	None	–	4	1	No	12
	North Gardiner	Mark Osborne, Manchester	Winthrop	33	16	14	4	3	–	–	–	–	A	1	900	4	–	No	12
		Totals		390	209	165	36	28			512	101	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	East Parsonsfield	Silas H. Cartland, East Parsonsfield	Parsonsfield	45	20	39	4	3	–	No	240	2	B	4	52	4	2	No	12
	North Sandwich	Cornelius Turner, North Sandwich	Sandwich	41	20	27	3	1	Yes	Weekly	142	21	A	2	–	0	0	No	12
		Totals		86	40	66	7	4			382	23	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

Adjourned to meet in session to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

Fifth Day morning, 11th Month 12th.

Met according to adjournment.

Epistles from Yearly Meetings held in this and other lands, from London, Dublin, Canada, Baltimore, North Carolina, Indiana, Western and Iowa Yearly Meetings have been read to our comfort and edification.

We have been sensibly impressed with the sweet counsel given in regard to various subjects of deep interest to us. The love and its influence will increase, enabling us to move more fully in our lives the reality of our profession.

We unite with them in blessing the action of our Yearly Meeting, in establishing a Yearly Meeting in California, in the Third Month 1895. It seems to us like the hand clasp of the East and the West.

A summary of the answers to the queries from our several Monthly Meetings had been read and a consideration of the State of Society as thus presented was entered upon.

Answers to Queries

Answer 1. All our meetings for worship and discipline have been regularly held during the year, some of the meetings d[illegible]. [illegible] and a few are reported.

Each Day meeting is duly attended by the large majority of our members and most of the appointed meetings. Mid-week meetings are much neglected, but our meeting shows a great improvement in this respect.

Ans. 2. Love and unity are in a good degree maintained. Are mindful always as to detraction. Friends are cautioned to treat tenderly those who err, but not shun as cheerfully as could be desired.

Ans. 3. There has been a care manifested by most Friends to maintain a religious life and conversation and to influence their children and others in

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[illegible]

[illegible]

in the midst of intemperance. Surely it is a time for
remonstrance in behalf of these. Let "every man
build against his own house"; be careful that in the
family there is a prayerful effort in teaching and
encouraging the children to avoid this evil. The
circle of influence will extend and we may hasten
it. Say what the result of prohibition may extend
from one end to another of this our beloved country.

None are too old and none too young to look up to
our Heavenly Father for ability for the service which
He gives us the privilege of performing for Him.
The church in which we are providentially placed
should have our first love, our best work, and we
should not avail them more when these are
overlooked in our duties.

Let us be all-around Christians and let the broad
blessed mantle of charity so envelop us that the
work and loving spirit of Christ may be seen
in all our actions. A giving church is always a
living church. The blessedness of giving should be
taught, that even the children may feel that they
can serve Christ in the missionary work. What have
we that we have not received from our God? Surely
it is our bounden duty as well as our dearest privi-
lege to use for Him a portion of what He so
liberally bestows.

The matter of our delegate session I have alluded
to as a benefit for women for usefulness in the church
and in the various religious and benevolent organ-
izations of the day. The training he acquired
has brought our women to the front in these move-
ments. The young and the timid can speak
before their sisters what may be on their hearts and
thus be prepared for service in the more open meetings.

Friends were encouraged to carry the Gospel of
Peace among soldiers and sailors, where there seems
to be an opening to receive this boon. Among
them are often to be found those who are convinced
by their own experiences of the evils of war.

Voices on every side that should not be withheld
were raised in their hearts for speaking of the
Lord Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.

[illegible]

	Number of auxiliaries		Number of members	
	1893	1894	1893	1894
[illegible]	6	6	116	114
[illegible]	5	5	116	132
[illegible]	4	4	77	61
[illegible]	4	3	84	[illegible]
[illegible]	2	2	43	46
[illegible]	3	3	61	[illegible]
[illegible]	1	1	7	7
[illegible]	4	3	78	[illegible]
[illegible]	2	2	43	[illegible]
Total	31	29	627	545

Auxiliaries. 29. Lost 2; members 545. Lost, 82, life members 2.

Review Table of Statistics

In 1886 we had 31 auxiliaries, with 617 members.

1887	"	29	"	"	646	"
1888	"	27	"	"	[illegible]	
1889	"	25	"	"	475	"
1890	"	24	"	"	467	"
1891	"	33	"	"	[illegible]	"
1892	"	32	"	"	647	"
1893	"	31	"	"	627	"
1894	"	29	"	"	545	"

[illegible] and

[illegible] has since passed on in triumph to her heavenly [illegible]. We have greatly missed the letters that came [illegible] every few weeks, and feel that we were not keeping in touch with the work as formerly, but our hearts have been constant, and we trust our interest undiminished. Susan J. Thompson writes to us as follows, under date of First Month 9th, 1894:—

"Katie is reliable as ever, a real strength to the [illegible], and Martha's bright face cheers us all. We find the school doing well. I have been much interested in some of the classes to-day. The first and second classes read in English with correctness, which would do credit to girls of the same age in New England. The sewing afterward, puzzled them a little in the second class, but they were interested and eager to do well. I was surprised at the progress they had made since we were here before. The girls do a large part of the household work. Every morning they go to their various stations, dusting, making beds, etc., and each remains there till a teacher comes to see if the work is thoroughly done.

"As we look into the faces of our Training Home girls and contrast them with the untaught, untrained children around us here, we realize something of the great work American Friends are doing, not only for the present, but for the years to come, when we hope, through the grace of God, each girl will be exerting an influence for good, as a Christian woman, a teacher, wife, or mother, on all around her." We also consider too, that our visit at Ramallah is the only American visit in Palestine, we should feel grateful toward the Lord.

We believe the work of S. H. Thomson is bringing the country, in the many interesting addresses, is helping to create a deeper earnestness in the cause. We commend the pupils of the two teachers, and also the girls in the Training Home, with the kindly regards of the Yearly Meeting Friends, and individual [illegible] of our Companionship.

the experience of the sisters at the Fort Wilson Mission is recorded. The teachers have been steadily and earnestly devoted to their work. A few months ago, through the influence of some bad people, the children were all withdrawn from the school for a short time. This was a cause of grief to the workers, but their "extra visits proved to be effectively," for it gave them time to do a good deal of calling upon Indian families which they could not otherwise have done. Quietly the Lord came, the blessing of the Lord was wonderfully manifested. First the young woman who did the laundry work and service was converted, then the farmer who was a backslider, after a long struggle, one night at family prayers, gave himself into the hands of the Lord, and was gloriously saved. This was just two nights after the conversion of the laundress. Sister Hall writes in the Third Month: "We have had Bible readings in the evening on subjects that we think will be helpful to us, and the presence of the Lord has been felt in such fullness that it has seemed like a little foretaste of Heaven. Not an unsaved soul in our band of workers, and day by day our spiritual strength is renewed as His presence is felt in our hearts."

In Fourth Month she writes that they have a few scholars, and are believing for more; also that a white boy, who had been long out of school, and who had been taken in by them at the earnest solicitation of his father, was allowed to stay for his teaching in work, was converted when he had been with them but two days. A visit made at that time: "I was feeling very sad that afternoon because more children did not come to school, and the conversion of the boy that First-day evening came to me as a fresh token of the love of God, even though I did not yet see children for whom I had been praying." [illegible] "If [illegible] boys [illegible] boys back again. What are we doing for women?" The above also [illegible] answer to prayer which has long been offered, in the conversion of a Sioux woman, who gives a clear testimony to [illegible] and is anxious to be saved, and is ready to be taught more clearly of the way, that she may serve the

and his hosts. We have great cause for gratitude to our Heavenly Father for His wonderful leadings at the Kickapoo Mission.

Little Mouth Hill we hear of another conversion at Tabor, and there are seven children in the school. A word or two to the home work of the auxiliaries, four of which report observance of the first Sabbath in the month as a day of special prayer for missions. Last year the number reported was four. Much good may have been effected by at least nine auxiliary for the conversion of the Kickapoos, and God has heard and answered prayer. This auxiliary which had for some time held a missionary prayer meeting the first First-day evening in each month, has for a time lost the privilege through the meeting-house being used for another organization. It is hoped that it's efficacy may soon in some way be restored. The Lord sees and answers prayer, and a special promise is made to "any two" agreeing in the Holy Ghost, that what they shall ask shall be done.

Fourteen auxiliaries report attention given to the department of missionary literature, fifteen to the maintenance systematic giving, and thirteen to juvenile work, while one has all departments in charge of one superintendent. Doubtless all of these departments are needed, and should be pressed, if we are to have a growing interest.

The number of public meetings, seventy-five, has been larger than ever before. They have been reported from E. Salem, Jo. Durham, Boston, Lynn, Syracuse, Salem, Portland, Fall River, and doubtless other fields not reported. Lynn has had at least two — one on the subject of giving, one addressed by Frances E. Shepherd, on Indian work, one addressed by Lina D. Lunt, and one by Etta H. Johnston. The latter has spoken in several other places, greatly to the increased interest of the work, as well as the increase of funds.

Various methods of raising money are reported, some of which seem objectionable. Systematic & proportionate giving seems the best, and we like that method is [illegible]

Ramallah and the Indian should receive our first attention, but aid has also been extended to the Island workers, North Carolina Mission, Home in Boston, the Italian Mission in Chicago, and Friends' Orphanage at Hoshangabad, India.

A Christmas donation of useful articles was sent to E. Teel, and boxes to Ramallah [illegible] the Home and the Indians.

[illegible] to say the loss of our beloved Country Worker [illegible] Miss E. Hartwell of Sandwich, Ill. [illegible] Secretary writes, "She deeply felt the need for new vitality, she was an earnest Christian woman through life, and most sincere rejoicing in her Saviour. Her loss is her eternal gain."

Elizabeth C. Larkin.
Corresponding Secretary.

[illegible] the view of this decade of successful work we can joyfully say, "What hath God wrought!" His Holy Spirit has blessed the labors of His earnest workers, and we rejoice in believing that many of the wild untutored children of the forest, as well as the residents of Fifth lands, will bless the day when the glad tidings of God's free salvation was brought to them in the midst of their darkness and ignorance.

The Committee, appointed to select some Friends who shall serve as a Committee on Bible Text [illegible] the ensuing year, reported a [illegible] of Friends, who were elected and appointed to that service.

[illegible] and read. It is as follows:—

Report Of The Committee On Social Purity.
To The Yearly Meeting Of Women Friends:

[illegible] annual report, we would say that our work the past year has [illegible] and interesting. The committee [illegible] in this line [illegible] to the [illegible] Yearly Meeting [illegible] to the

[illegible] effort of Christian men and women.

Reports have been received from some of our Quarterly Meetings which we here present.

Vassalboro Quarter reports an effort to organize [illegible] assisted by each [illegible] meeting. [illegible] distributed twelve thousand five hundred and fourteen pages [illegible] fifty-nine "Do Promise" cards to children. They are also making arrangements to have the tract table of State [illegible] distributed in railroad depots, reading rooms, post offices and other public places.

[illegible] efforts [illegible] labor with [illegible]

Winthrop reports a few tracts distributed, and some [illegible]

[illegible] and "Winds of twenty tracts distributed, which after being carefully read have been passed on to others."

Salem Quarter reports an all day and evening [illegible] at Smithfield, R. I., with a Workers' Hour, a Mothers' Hour, a talk to young women, excellent papers read, an evening address, and a good deal of [illegible] and young [illegible] great blessing attending, and which opened the way for meetings of a similar nature the two following days.

[illegible] and evening conference has also been held at Moosup, Conn., in union with the Social Purity Committee of the local W. C. T. U., which was also the case at Jewett City, and it is to be hoped the privilege of holding excellent addresses, papers, etc., and about fifteen dollars worth of literature sold, the [illegible] may be [illegible] and it is [illegible] that at least one week will be held in every [illegible] the coming year. One should be held in [illegible] meeting at the very least.

[illegible]

[illegible] great help to have a little fund in the hands of the many [illegible] of the country, to be used for [illegible] and leaflets, and [illegible] some [illegible] edition of five thousand each of a new tract, entitled, "[illegible] Girls," and [illegible] found. This could not have been done [illegible] for the fund so kindly contributed.

It is hoped that much more work will be done in the coming year than ever before, for the crying need. The blessing of God in a pure sight—even "the heavens are unclean," because He is Infinite Purity, rests upon the work, and He it is who calls us to it.

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[illegible]
Secretary pro tem.

Treasurer's Report For The Social Purity Committee.

Receipts.

Two collections at Portland	$26 50
Received from Trustees of Mosher Fund	10 00
Total	$36 50

Expenditures.

[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Leaflets and books mentioned in general report distributed and on hand	[illegible]
	$33.50
Total	28.21
Balance	[illegible]

[illegible], Treasurer.

[illegible] Secretary. This plan involved more work and expenditure for the Superintendent [illegible], so far seem more satisfactory than correspondence through the Quarterly Meeting Vice-Presidents. [illegible] Secretary to see to it, [illegible] seem sent through the Vice-President.

[illegible] distribution of literature on this subject, and a number of specimen tracts and leaflets have been sent to the various societies. It is difficult to state the number sent, but about twenty-five different kinds have been used, for the endeavor to meet the various needs. It is suggested that, in some cases, to hand two or three tracts to a person with the request that they be read and returned, will secure a better attention to them than merely giving them.

The statistics have come in more fully and fairly than last year, though we are still without data from three societies. From them it appears that one hundred and thirty-one persons are in the practice of systematic and proportionate giving, while several societies have reported indefinitely, so that the number is probably [illegible] one hundred and fifty. Four members out of every five [illegible] it is to make no effort

while the statistics are sent in this informal way, it seems as if they would be willing to hand in their names to the Superintendent must again reiterate the request that every local superintendent. If all the auxiliaries were thus [illegible] successfully.

Respectfully submitted, D. P. Atherton,
Superintendent Subordinate Systematic Giving.

Report of Junior and Juvenile Department Of Women's Foreign Missionary Society.

To The Yearly Meeting Of Women Friends:

[illegible] we will include some of its kind of [illegible] our annual report.

For the year ending Fourth Month 1st, 1893, there were fourteen Junior Bands under care, with a membership of one hundred and sixty-four who contributed to our treasury the sum of $221.72.

For the year ending Fourth Month 1st, 1894, there have been twelve Bands with a membership of one hundred and thirty-three who contributed $216.48.

During the [illegible] year there have been [illegible]

The members of the Junior Band of [illegible] have joined the Women's Auxiliary, and the Juvenile Band of [illegible] with the Christian Endeavor Society having a [illegible] Committee. A similar change was made at [illegible]

At [illegible] we have joined the Women's Auxiliary. This change [illegible] work though in different channels.

[illegible]

Mass., are doing well, together with the older Bands
[illegible] faithfully [illegible]
[illegible] organization of this Department.

[illegible] are working in Canadian
Mission, and six Bands for the Kiowa Indians.
By direct communication with these Mission
Stations the young people are gaining a helpful interest
in the work.

Respectfully Submitted,
Frank D. Drown, Superintendent

Amesbury, Mass., Eighth Month 2d, 1894.

Report of Treasurer of Young People's Mission
Board for the Second Year Ending.

Receipts

From the Augusta Loan & Trust Co.	$12 00
" " A. F. Coy & Son, Note	5 00
" " Deposit in Augusta Savings Bank	2 28
For three Life Memberships	60 00
	$79 28

Expenditures

Paid M. J. Bailey, Interest on A. L. & T. Co.	$12.00
" " A. F. Coy & Son's Note	5 00
" " Deposit in Savings Bank	2 28
Cash on hand	40 00
Deposit in Augusta Savings Bank	20 00
Total	$79 28

Third Month 31st. 1894

Amount Held In Trust.

Cash on Hand	$40 00
In Augusta Savings Bank	60 00
Augusta Loan & Trust Co.	200 00
A. F. Coy & Son, Note	100 00
	$400 00

For the Trustees,
M. E. Tainter.

Winthrop Centre, 6th. Month 1st. 1894

I have examined the foregoing account and
vouchers for same, and find them correct.
M. Augusta Bailey. Auditor.

Report of the Committee of Literature.

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends in Iowa.

The Standing Committee on Literature respectfully report as follows, viz.:

No. of Auxiliaries having Libraries	7
reporting on Library	15
not reporting	4
volumes in Libraries	36
Subscribers to Missionary Advocate	231

During the year there have been sent to the Local Superintendents of Literature throughout the Yearly Meeting, five hundred and fifty-five Leaflets, containing Standard and selected pages of reading matter, all bearing on subjects of interest to our missionary workers and including one copy to each auxiliary of the valuable paper of "Practical Suggestions" by Caroline M. Hunt, deceased, at the time of her death, Fifth Month 1st, 1894, one of our most active missionary women, and to whom fitting tribute is rendered in the Advocate for that month.

It is to be every member of our Society will read these "Suggestions" and try to put them in practice.

While the number of subscribers to the Advocate is a slight increase over last year, it is still very small in relation to our membership. During the past autumn a special appeal was made to each auxiliary to make an effort to increase this number. Nothing, though this whole, to reach us only every two weeks, but every member, for the sake of the cause we love, should take for a more liberal outlook of this kind, the only organ of our Missionary Union, the best channel of communication for all our Auxiliaries.

[illegible] well-written editorials such high standards are before us, and what we [illegible]

[illegible] we may also find in our [illegible] notices of the Lives and Publications of Missionary Women, varied and useful, both of which [illegible] reading or for use in the Auxiliary, and helpful in the [illegible] of the United Years, which is in itself a [illegible] feature of the labor, bearing witness to much careful study and research on the [illegible].

[illegible] should be regularly read, or their value is to be measured. [illegible] each week of these [illegible] to get a half-year subscription with many at the low price of twenty-five cents, and as many as possible for the whole of next year. In doing, we shall help up the funds and gladden the hearts of the managers of the Union, and will furnish means for increasing its value and usefulness, and as last result, though not least, will be a great increase of interest among its members in all mission work, and a deeper sympathy with it.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Peckham,

General Superintendent of Literature.

Providence Sixth Month 5th 1894.

Report of Treasurer of Women's Foreign Missionary Society

Women's Foreign Missionary Society of New England

Yearly Meeting in account with Hannah W. Bailey, Treasurer.

1893–4

	Notes of H. W. Bailey in hand belonging to the Indian Building Fund		$500 00
	Dr.		
4th Mo.	To amount in Treasury when last closed		317 99
	Cash belonging to Building Fund		26 18
	Bible School collections	$136 06	
	Donation from a Friend	50	
5th Mo.	Indiana W. F. M. S. for support Zafsie Audit from H. W. B., Treasurer	65 10	
6th Mo.	Contribution from Friends	1 00	
	Collection at public Meeting in Portland	50 78	
	Eunice A. Green, for day scholar	5 00	
	Amounts carried forward	$258 34	

	Amounts brought forward	$258 34	$344 17
	J. J. Thompson, membership fee	50	
	Samuel Buffum, Treasurer Committee on Western Indians	15 00	
7th Mo.	M. M. Bailey, notes and interest	541 70	
	Esther Jones, for tuition of a day scholar	5 00	
8th Mo.	Collection public meeting in Lynn	10 17	
9th Mo.	Lizzie Purdie (donation)	1 50	
	Mary J. Thomas, for Samaritan Building Fund (collection in Iowa and California)	10 00	
	D. P. Atherton and S. Wheeler for special purposes	6 00	
	Martha Jones (donation)	5	
	Self Denial Fund for Jewish Mission in Chicago	25 00	
10th Mo	Loan from Treasurer	300 00	
	Iowa W. F. M. Board, Mary J. Thomas Treasurer	162 50	
	M. M. Bailey on note	380 00	
1894			
3d Mo.	Mary T. Pyle, Treasurer Western F. M. Board for Indian Mission	43 24	
	Donation from [illegible]	52	
	D. P. Atherton (donation)	10 00	
	Lynn C. E. Society, for support of Indian children	26 00	
	Mary G. Winslow, Trustee	26 00	
	Hannah R. Wing, for Indians	2 00	
	Sarah S. and Lizzie M. Hawkes (donation)	2 00	
	Joseph Dearborn, Treasurer, C. E. Society of Friends School, Providence	65	
	A Friend for Elizabeth Test.	5 00	
			$1,945 95

To amount received from Auxiliaries and Juvenile Bands in

Rhode Island Quarter	$307 40
Salem	292 55
Sandwich	124 62
Falmouth	216 53
Smithfield	172 83
Nantucket	37
Dover	42 61
Amount carried forward	$1293.54

Amount brought forward		$1293 54
Fairfield	$189 77	
Farmington	34 72	
		224. 49
To receipts for life membership	$60, 00	$1. 518 03
		60, 00
Total		$3,868 15

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From Fourth Month 1st, 1893 to Fourth Month 1st, 1894:

Paid salaries of Missionaries to the Indians	$360 24
To benefit of Indian Missions other than salaries	522 24
Travelling expenses of L. B. Hunt	80 00
Eli and Sybil Jones Mission for support of scholars and teachers.	1,640 00
A. W. Mayfield for Corporation seal	7 00
Printing postage and stationery	17 26
Simpkin Painter for Corresponding Secretary	4 00
Superintendent Department of Literature	3 00
Note of M. M. Bailey	567 88
William T. Hussey for tuition of day scholars	25 00
William T. Hussey for Ramallah Building Fund	10 00
Trustees of Permanent Fund	60 00
Paid Treasurer for a loan	300 00
Samuel Beede, for support of Effie E. Swan at Friends' Mission in India	25 00
Superintendent Department Systematic Giving	5 00
Ellen H. Longstreth, Treasurer for Friends' Mission in Chicago	25 00
	$3,853 62
Amount on hand Fourth Month 1st 1894	14 53
	$3.868 15

Balance of note of M. M. Bailey, belonging to Indian Mission Building Fund $187 88

Reports have been received from the treasuries of local auxiliaries in North Sandwich, Newport, Swansea, Moultonborough, Lower Dublin, Providence, Lynn, Exeter, Boston, Salmon Falls, Portland, Smith and Hallowell, all of which

were delivered.

Cash, Mar., which [illegible] has [illegible]
[illegible] amounting to $2.2, and [illegible]
goods, amounted to $ [illegible] amounting to $1,181 and
goods sent to the Indian Territory the estimated value
of which was $72.70. The Treasurer of the Penn Asso'n
has collected one box of goods sent to Kansas and
one box to Indian Territory.

We have received during the year $222.86 from the
invested funds, which have been used without
using the principal which is unexpended.

[illegible] has been elected during the year.

The list now stands as follows:—

Elizabeth S. Larkin.
Evaline Rice Jones,
Hannah C. Fox,
Eva E. Clayton.
Ruth S. Murray,
Ellen L. Hopkins,
Mary E. Robinson,
Anna C. Tiffany,
Mary L. Chamberlain,
Edward H. Thomas,
Hannah F. Bailey,
Mary A. Osborne,
Huldah H. Leighton,
Anna G. Hood,
Emeline H. Sellie,
Lydia C. Sawyer,
Phebe S. Hydeketh,
Sarah J. Brady,
Elizabeth Austin Tiffany,
Lina B. Hunt.

Respectfully submitted.
Hannah F. Bailey Treasurer.

Newport R.I., Eighth Month 11th. 1894.

I have examined the foregoing accounts with the vouchers
for money paid out, and have found them correct.
M. Augusta Potter.
Auditor.

The following named friends have been appointed as
officers of the Society for the ensuing year:—

President — Phebe S. Hydeketh, 70 Rock Ave., Fall River, Mass.
Vice-Presidents at Large — Myra C. Frye, Hartford, Ct.; Ruth S.
Murray, Grove Street, New Bedford, Mass.
Corresponding Secretary — Elizabeth S. Larkin, 72 Cedar Grove, Fall River, Mass.

Recording Secretary — Abby M. C. Bond, 27 Beach Avenue, Lynn, Mass.
Treasurer — Sarah C. Rhoads, 637 Union Street, Roxbury, Mass.

Trustees of the Permanent Fund

For one year — Anna M. Gove, Seabrook, N. H.
For two years — Mary G. Winslow, Winthrop Center, Me.
For three years — Hannah J. Bailey, Winthrop Center, Me.
Auditors — M. Augusta Battey, Providence, R. I.; Elizabeth H. Swan, 2 Pierce Street, Boston, Mass.

Quarterly Meeting Vice-Presidents.

Rhode Island — Adaline F. Chace, Fall River, Mass. Box 55
Salem — Anna M. Gove, Seabrook, N. H.
Sandwich — Elizabeth A. Telford, Adamsville, R. I.
Smithfield — Sarah L. Swift, 22 Oak Avenue, Worcester, Mass.
Dover — Annie B. Burnham, Forth Berwick, Me.
Falmouth — Miriam C. Webber, Lisbon Falls, Me.
Gorham — Eliza N. Pierce, East Gorham, Me.
Fairfield — Lizzie M. Hawkes, Manchester, Me.
Parsonsfield — Mary L. Cook, Parsonsfield, Me.

Superintendents of Departments.

Proportionate and Systematic Giving — Deborah P. Atherton, Uxbridge, Mass.
Literature — Hannah F. Gould, Providence, R. I., Box 433
Junior and Juvenile Work — Sarah D. Brown, 22 Highland Street, Roxbury, Mass.

Boy Committee.

Chairman — Mary B. Johnson, 469 Cumberland Street, Portland, Me.
Isabella E. Chase, Cherry Street, Lynn, Mass.
Alice W. Hicks, Friends School, Providence, R. I.

Committee On Literature.

Mary Abby Chace. Amy C. Bousfield.
Salome C. Wheeler.

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[illegible]

[illegible]

Mary A. [illegible], [illegible], N. H., Box 124
Elizabeth S. Larkin, Peabody, Mass.
[illegible]
[illegible]
Salome C. Wheeler, Uxbridge, Mass.
Abbie P. Jenkins, E Vassalboro, Me.
Martha B. Osborne, Manchester, Me.
[illegible]
H. Elizabeth Jones, Amesbury, Mass.
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Eliza B. Douglas, Lisbon Falls, Me.

We unite with our Men Friends in accepting the proposition that "the Overseers of Monthly Meetings be members of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight," ex officio.

We also unite with our Friends in conducting a united and yearly Meeting in Portland, Me.

We adjourn to meet in joint-session at half past seven this evening.

Third Day Evening

The Meeting reconvened in joint session according to appointment.

The Committee on Temperance [illegible] the Report, it is as follows:—

Report of Committee on Intemperance.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Dear Friends, — As we review the past year of Christian opportunity and duties, we rejoice to believe that [illegible]

thing has been done, though the latter seems small, and not equal to the former because of the meagre financial aid.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor have been encouraged to take up the temperance topic assigned for them, and some have replied that they do.

We have striven to be faithful as superintendents of and teachers in Bible Schools. The Temperance lessons as they occur in the quarterlies, are quite generally used.

One of our number has labored in the public schools, another has written very useful articles which received the approval of the editors, others have distributed many pages of literature not supplied by our Superintendent, who writes that her labors have not been arduous as there have been few calls. She has sent out three thousand three hundred pages of books and tracts, and in addition has distributed monthly at the State Reform School of New Hampshire one hundred and twenty copies of four-page papers, also similar papers at the Public Reading Room of the Y. C. U. L.; at the Boys' Reading Room, at the City Farm and House of Correction, State Manual Reformatory, and Box at Depot.

In several cities much work has been done against License and for Prohibition.

Some have held public Temperance meetings, a few of these being one of the Quarterly Meeting sessions, aside from those reported by our Superintendent of Lectures, who renders the following: Thirty-five lectures, and forty addresses, sermons, and temperance talks have been given during the year by members of the Committee and others employed for the purpose. Some work on all these lines has been done in each of the nine Quarterly Meetings.

The professional lecturers employed in and outside the Quarterly Meetings are William Cotton of this, Mrs. Imogene Fales Hoyt, and Josephine Nichols of Virginia; each of these did very efficient effectual work, acceptable to friends and appreciated.

others. The public press gave good and very satisfactory reports. It is only by the treasury being replenished by individual donations from friends and others that we have been enabled to do what we have as yet done of literature and lectures.

We would recommend that [illegible] be celebrated for the temperance work next year. We recommend that the Yearly Meeting memorialize Congress, in view of the numerous petitions which have been laid before it for nearly a quarter of a century, asking them to appoint a commission of inquiry with regard to the liquor traffic, and its effects upon our national prosperity, remembering that "while righteousness exalteth a nation, sin is a reproach to any people," also that our children to the Yearly Meetings counsel their co-operation in this regard.

Much of our labor may have been seed sowing from which fruit will come in time. Intemperance is a blight of which our Savior said, "Every plant which my Heavenly Father has not planted shall be rooted up," and this will be greatly aided when the sanctified heart causes the sanctified hand to cast a sanctified ballot. Hoping for a deeper interest which will result in greater activity for Prohibition among the individuals of our Society so that the world may know that part of the Christian Church as the Society of Friends are willing to be found on God's side casting their vote to make it a majority, we submit the above.

Mary E. Bevington,
[illegible].

To amend this report by adding to the resolution of all our members under a strong sense of the necessity of renewed efforts in striving to show the light of truth which now seems likely to overspread our land. And while we thus may be encouraged that our testimony is regard to many practices is [illegible]

The subject of memorializing Congress as [illegible] by the Committee was referred to the Temperance Committee.

Thomas Hoag, Isaac A. Stone, James Tate, Mary A. Case, Elizabeth A. Gifford, Mary H. Jones,

were appointed to propose to this Meeting the names of suitable Friends to have the charge of this subject for the ensuing year.

Committee on Temperance in account with Elisha T. Read, Treasurer

Receipts.

Received from Yearly Meeting Collection	$41 68
" " Henry Taber	5 00
" " collection at Woonsocket	5 00
" " Boston Preparative Meeting	42
Total	$101 10

Expenditures.

Paid on account of Literature	$19 46
" " " " Lectures	78 52
Balance on hand	2 92
Total	$101 10

Respectfully submitted,
Elisha T. Read, Treasurer.

Newport, R. I., Sixth Month 11th, 1894.

Adjourned to meet in separate session to-morrow at two o'clock.

Fourth-Day, Sixth Month 13th.

The Meeting reunited in separate session according to adjournment.

We unite with Yearly Friends in the appointment of a Committee on Temperance for the ensuing year.

The records of the Representative Meeting have been read and approved, and we unite with the Yearly Meeting in referring the subjects, to which our attention was called to the Representative Meeting.

The Nominating Committee, appointed for the [illegible] a Committee on Social Purity.

We unite with Yearly Friends, in the appointment [illegible]

[illegible] opinion.

[illegible] with the Minute [illegible] Friends to the Friends [illegible] Meeting, with [illegible] from their [illegible] Meetings.

Interesting epistle to the [illegible] affectionate, to the young people, and to the children have been read, and we trust they may [illegible] and instruction to those to whom they are addressed.

The Friends [illegible] to constitute [illegible] Meeting have met our approval, and are united with our Friends in their appointment.

We unite with the Men's Meeting in the appointment of Samuel Parker for [illegible] Meeting, and Edward G. Dillingham and Susan [illegible] from Sandwich Quarterly Meeting as members of the Committee on Ministry and Oversight, to take the place of absentees at this time.

The Clerk of the Yearly Meeting [illegible] and the names proposed for [illegible] have been united with.

We unite with our Friends in [illegible] the Minutes in favor of [illegible] the Minutes in favor of [illegible] the First-day during Yearly Meeting.

The subject of the advisability of a revision or revival of the Book of Discipline, has been referred in conjunction with [illegible] Friends to the Representative Meeting.

Adjourned to meet in joint session at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Fourth-day Afternoon, Sixth Month 13th.

The Meeting assembled in pursuance to adjournment.

The London General Epistle for the year has been read, and is clear and earnest counsel is recommended to our membership.

The next is directed to cause a total of one thousand five hundred [illegible] for distribution.

The [illegible] Epistle to the Yearly Meeting in Ireland, to Canada and Indiana Yearly Meetings, and to the Monthly Meeting at Barnsbah, also an epistle addressed to all the Friends Yearly Meetings

have been read and adopted, and the Clerk is directed to sign and forward them to the Clerks of those Meetings.

William and Susan Lawton is added to the Board of Visitors for Providence Mission Property in Ramallah.

Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance presented their report, which is adopted.

To The Yearly Meeting:

The Committee on Finance recommend that the following appropriations be made from the treasury of the Yearly Meeting:—

To Associated Executive Committee on Indian Affairs	$525 00
For Principal and Interest on Oak Grove Notes.	375 00
For Freedmen [Maryville Institute]	500 00
	$1,600 00

We recommend that the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting be authorized to loan to the treasurer of the Gospel Committee the sum of $200.00; to the treasurer of the Temperance Committee the sum of $50.00; and to the treasurer of the Committee on Peace the sum of $50.00, for the immediate use of the several committees the same to be returned to the treasury of the Yearly Meeting from the offerings received from the members throughout the Yearly Meeting.

For the Committee,

Phebe T. Hydelott, Secretary.

Newport, Sixth Month 13th. 1894.

We do therefore authorize our treasurer to advance the following sums, viz:—

To Treasurer of Gospel Committee	$200 00
" " " Temperance Committee	50 00
Peace Committee	50 00

The sums to be repaid on the receipt from sundry offerings

Timothy B. Hobson on behalf of the delegates appointed to attend the Friends' Peace Congress at Chicago reported his attendance; the proceedings of which our

members are encouraged to worship themselves with, and which can be had of J. F. Trued & Co, Boston, Mass.

The Representative Meeting is empowered to appoint delegates to attend the opening of California Yearly Meeting, if a way should open for it.

The Representatives [illegible] which were referred to them as follows:—

We recommend that the action of the Yearly Meeting as expressed in Minute 15 of the Minutes of 1893 be rescinded

Baptism And The Supper Of The Lord.

We express our conviction that our Lord appointed no outward rite or ceremony for observance in His Church. We accept every command of our Lord in what we believe to be its genuine import, as conclusive.

The question of the use of outward ordinances is with us, not as to the authority of Christ, but as to His real meaning. Our Lord was pleased to make use of a variety of symbolical utterances, but He often gently upbraided His disciples for accepting literally what he had intended only in its spiritual meaning. The new covenant of grace is declared by the great apostle of the Gentiles to be "not of the letter but of the spirit." — 2 Cor. iii. 6, R. V.; also Rom. XIV. 17, R. V.

Numerous are the declarations that the ceremonies of eating and drinking and other outward rites have ceased to be obligatory. We hold therefore that the sacraments of the New Covenant are of the same spiritual nature as the covenant itself.

Heb. IX. 9, 15, R. V.; Col. ii. 13, 14, R. V.; 1 Cor. VIII. 8 R. V.; Gal. IV. 3, 5 and 21, R. V.; Rom. ii. 28, 29, R. V.

"One Lord, one faith, one baptism," Eph. iv. 5, R. V.

"I [illegible] indeed baptize you with water; but there cometh He that is mightier than I, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose; He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire." Luke III. 16, R. V.

We believe the one baptism of the Gospel dispensation is that of Christ, who baptizes His people with the Holy Ghost. Since He opened the new and living

[illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

to appoint all its Standing Committees, except the Finance Committee, but including the Representative Meeting, in the following manner, viz:—

One third of each Committee for one year, one third for two years, one third for three years, and thereafter to appoint in each succeeding year one third of each Committee to succeed those whose term of service expires in that year.

Quarterly Meetings are directed when they appoint their Representatives to the Yearly Meeting to appoint two persons in each Quarterly Meeting (one man and one woman), and these together shall constitute the Yearly Meeting's Committee on Finance for the year following, the said Committee to organize by choosing one of their number for Treasurer.

The several subjects referred to the Representatives were now acted upon.

In the first was united the direction contained in Minute No. 49 of last year.

An article upon the ordinance of Baptism and the Lord's Supper prepared by the Representatives is approved by this Meeting and is directed to be printed in our Minutes with a view to adopt it as discipline next year.

We find no legislation necessary in regard to providing for Friends travelling in the Ministry.

We adopt the proposition of the Representatives in relation to Standing Committees.

Also for the appointment of the Yearly Meeting's Finance Committee by the Quarterly Meetings.

(the Foreign Mission Committee.)

The Committee of Arrangements are authorized

It is directed that two thousand copies of our Minutes be printed and the clerks

are authorized to attend to the same and Almira [illegible] are appointed [illegible].

Quarterly Meetings are directed to send up one set of answers to the queries to the Yearly Meeting [illegible] Committee [illegible], using in [illegible] the answers of our Monthly Meetings, [illegible] which we may be write appointment, viz.:— [illegible], Lydia J. Douglas, Samuel R. Coffin, Thomas Wood, Oscar J. Nurse, Robert S. Gifford, William T. Hussey, Lydia C. Frye, Sarah J. Swift, Hannah J. Bailey, [illegible] Eckhouse, and Charles Estes.

We desire to make [illegible] the precious presence of our Heavenly Father during the sittings of this Yearly Meeting. The spirit of brotherly love and consideration with which the various exercises of the Church have been considered has been unbroken.

And now as we cannot forget that the year [illegible] before us may be, to all our members, a year of consecrated service, and consequently one of fruitfulness, we conclude, purposing to meet in joint session at Plant[illegible], [illegible] at [illegible] time next year, if the Lord be will.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting,

Anna G. Wood } Clerks.

Standing Committee of the Corporation.

Members of the Executive Committee.

Samuel L. Crocker.
Robert Swasey.
Samuel Eames.
Geo. L. Cate.
William A. Russell.
Geo. H. Boyd.
Isaac P. Rand.
Joseph D. Ilsley.
Edward Kimball.
Samuel Lord.
Nathl. Wingate.
Daniel Lord.
Isaac Cox.
Benj. D. Peterson.
Geo. W. Moore.
Chas. Chase.
Geo. F. Hamm.
David C. Mansfield.
Chas. Chase.
Charles A. Stickney.
E. Haven Hall.
Edgar J. Lowe.
Elizabeth R. Lowe.
Henry K. Goddard.
J. Abbot Lowe.
Lucy E. Russell.
Edward A. Russell.
William G. Butler.
Sarah M. C. Butler.
Susan Hamm.
Kenneth L. Bailey.
Lucy A. Lowe.
Isabel C. Lowe.
Geo. F. Eastland.
Warren C. Eastland.
Ida M. Eastland.
Sadie A. Eastland.
John F. Tye.
David F. Douglas.
Lucy R. Goddard.
Sarah F. Hall.
Anna E. Hall.
Alice M. Lowe.
Geo. L. Thomas.
Chas. F. Chase.

Providence Boarding School Committee.

Eli [illegible] Russell,
Samuel R. Buffington.
James H. Chace.
Peter M. Head.
Samuel Eames
Robert P. Gifford.
S. Augustus Hawkes.
William Chace.
David C. Mansfield.
Charles A. Chace.
Chas. F. Chase.
Rachel [illegible]
Lucy [illegible]
Hannah [illegible]
Anna [illegible]
Deborah [illegible]
Deborah [illegible]
Lydia C. Head
Ruth [illegible]
Alice M. Mansfield
Anna M. Hamm
Elizabeth [illegible]

Charles Sisson.
Edward S. Tucker.
[illegible]
[illegible]
Charles H. Cobb.
[illegible]
[illegible]

Susan Peckham.
[illegible]
[illegible]
Mary A. Crosman.
[illegible]
Martha Hoag of Boston

Rufus M. Jones.

Real Estate Committee

James E. Stacy.
Samuel C. Hopkins.

Mary S. Corder.
Robert R. Gifford.

Charles Sisson

[illegible]

Chairman, George A. Barton.
Treasurer, J. Ellwood Paige.

[illegible] Paige.

Caroline Jones, Deering, Me.
Anna T. Hall.
Rufus M. Jones.
Adrianna M. Mashburne.
Myra E. Frye.

Steve H. Tarbell.
Ruth S. Murray.
Gertrude W. Cartland.
Sarah Moore.
Wilmot R. Jones.

Committee On Peace.

Chairman, Augustine Jones, Providence, R.I.
Treasurer, Thomas Wood, 215 State Street, Boston, Mass.
Secretary, [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

James E. Otis.
[illegible]
Martha C. Berg.
Elizabeth K. Jones.
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Gertrude W. Cartland.

Sub-Committee On Lectures.

Hannah J. Bailey.

Executive Committee.

Mary H. Robinson

Hannah J. Bailey.

Executive Committee On Correspondence.

Lucy J. Rice.

Hannah J. Bailey.

Executive Committee On Oak Grove Seminary and Bailey Institute.

Chairman, Caleb T. Bailey.

Secretary, J. Warren Merrill.

Treasurer, Lucius C. Perkins.

Hannah J. Bailey.

George W. Freeman.
Timothy B. Hussey.
David R. Jones.
Alfred E. Jones.
Isaac D. Winslow
J. Warren Hawkes.
Edwood A. Bailey.
Jesse McPherson.
George H. Card.
Rufus M. Jones.

Lizzie M. Bailey.
Jessie C. Tripp.
Sarah E. Tripp.
Katharine E. Hazelton
T. Jane Coy.
Emma G. Briggs.
Mary E. Baker.
Sarah Mabb.
Eliza J. Pierce.
Lillie M. Bailey.
Elenora S. Woodman.
Mary G. Winslow.

Committee on Foreign Missions.

Chairman, Timothy B. Hussey, South Berwick, Me.
Rec. Secretary, Ruth [illegible], [illegible], Mass.
Cor. Secretary, Charles [illegible], [illegible], Me.
Treasurer, William [illegible], South Berwick, Me.

Timothy B. Hussey.
Anna G. Wood.
Hannah J. Bailey.
[illegible]
[illegible]
Lucidah H. Leighton.
William T. Hussey.
[illegible]
[illegible]

Anna M. Hussey.
Charles M. Jones.
William Thompson.
[illegible]
[illegible]
Lovell P. Clifford.
Olney T. Meader.
Karlina C. Berry.
Elizabeth R. Jones.
Rowe S. Swift.

Invitation to the Committee on Foreign Missions from the several Monthly Meetings as follows:—

Rhode Island.
Greenwich.
Swansea.
[illegible]
South Kingston.
Salem.
[illegible]
[illegible]
Boston.
New Bedford
[illegible]

Mary Chace.
Anna T. Baker.
[illegible]
Parker Marshall.
Mary A. Wood.
Henry W. Rucker.
T. Elwood Harris.
[illegible]
[illegible]
George R. Wood.
Joseph Ewer.

Frederick Gamaches
Hilda C. Hill.
Mary Alice Buffum
Phebe R. Gifford, 2d.
William C. Collins.
H. Lawton Jones.
Charles F. Jones.
[illegible]
[illegible]
Nathaniel W. Gifford
Annie E. Ewer.

Falmouth.	Geo. Leonard.	Lillie Tripp.
Westport.	Edward L. Macomber.	Annie M. Gifford.
Dartmouth.	William Reed.	Lizzie M. [illegible].
Wareham.	Sumner Varney.	Adelia L. Fellows.
Gorham.	Henry Snow.	Amy Jones.
Lewiston.	James E. Farr.	Ella Dunham.
Bridgton.	Oscar F. Morse.	Ethel L. Read.
Scarboro.	Charles G. Bickford.	Ella L. Adams.
Saco.	Alfred E. Lee.	Edward Hasty.
Kennebunk.	George E. Eaton.	Paul S. Fogg.
Alna.	Ira Freeman.	Elwood H. Jones.
Wiscasset.	George Varney.	George Jones.
Damariscotta.	William Penn Varney.	Walter A. Estes.
Lisbon.	George I. Jemess.	Julia A. Meader.
Freeport.	Frank M. [illegible]	Alton E. Butler.
Brunswick.	Alfred H. Lewis.	Elwood A. Bailey.
Sidney.	George B. King.	George Paddock.
N. Yarmouth.	Jesse Knowlton.	Irene Winslow.
Farmington.	Willis E. Leonard.	Harry N. Cobb.
No. Sandwich	Joseph Cartland.	Leslie C. Meader.

Committee On Resolutions.

Chairman, William O. Newhall.
Secretary, Myra E. Frye.
Recording Secretary, Sarah J. Swift.
Treasurer, Samuel Griffin.

William O. Newhall.	Ellen R. Griffin.
Augustine Reed.	Myra E. Frye.
John F. Frye.	Asa C. Cutts.
Emily C. Cutts.	Annie M. Gove.
Hannah J. Bailey.	Emma S. Briggs.
Joseph E. Ford.	Samuel Griffin.
Elida J. Collins.	Mary W. Collins.
Lizzie M. Hawkes.	Susan H. Meader.
Edward F. Cutts.	Annie A. Griffin.
Sarah J. Swift.	Ida S. Kimber.

Executive Committee.

William O. Newhall.	Augustine Reed.
Emeline M. Cutts.	Myra E. Frye.

Freedmen's Committee.

[illegible]

Chairman, David J. Douglas.
Secretary, Harriette D. Collins.
Treasurer, Joseph E. Briggs.

Quarterly Meting Superintendents of Gospel Work.

Farmington.	Silas S. Sydenstricker.
Salem.	J. Ellwood Paige.
Sandwich.	William P. Macomber.
Falmouth.	Henry F. Newell.
Smithfield.	Salome C. Wheeler.
Vassalboro.	James M. Estes.
Dover.	Emeline H. Suttle.
Fairfield.	[illegible]
Pennsgrove.	[illegible]

At Large

Joseph E. Briggs — Harriette D. Collins
David J. Douglas.

Church Extension Board.

[illegible]

For One Year.

Charles A. Chace. — George L. Freeman.
Anna M. Gove, — Sarah W. Hanton.

For Two Years.

[illegible]

For Three Years.

Charles H. Tripp — Edward Campbell
Josiah C. Wight — Samuel Cushman

Trustees

Henry F. Hunter, one year. — Albert Taylor two years.
Daniel Dupee, three years.

Committee on Public Buildings.

Yearly Meeting Superintendent, [illegible] Tripp, Treasurer,
Secretary and Trustees, Chairman Depot, [illegible]
River, Main.
Executive Committee, [illegible]

General Committee

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Ramallah 6 Mo 1894

To London Yearly Meeting.

Dear Friends

Once again we have assembled in this [illegible]; in spirit we are united to the [illegible] of brethren of the olden time, who were made glad [illegible] and assembled their tents in [illegible] and Ramallah. Keeping the Feast [illegible] [illegible] Lord's Day to the end of the [illegible] [illegible] with you the friends of the old and the New England, [illegible] the [illegible] of a [illegible] people, it is our earnest [illegible] nothing may interrupt the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

We [illegible] with interest [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] educational and religious work in this thickly settled community, in which we in common with nearly all the Yearly Meetings in America are engaged, is second to none in importance.

We sympathize with you in your efforts for the prohibition or restriction of the liquor traffic. It is a fruitful source of evil in our own country; an enemy alike to righteousness, thrift, and good government.

The reports of our two Boarding Schools have greatly awakened our interest in education. It has arisen from the aim of our people that the education of their children should not [illegible] whatsoever is profitable for time and eternity; or no other foundation can be built for the character of the strong men in Christ Jesus.

The importance of the Bible Schools has been pressed upon our attention, as leading to a more intimate acquaintance with the Scriptures, "which are able to make wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus." It is true that in all such study the great Author Himself shall be our teacher our commentator our guide.

Your epistles have come to hand during our Yearly Meeting. Your opportunities and counsel have been [illegible] and comfort. "Even as your master even Christ, and all ye are brethren." It is only in [illegible] and [illegible] that [illegible] and [illegible] from [illegible] made us void.

Dear Friends, let us be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might; and be able to [illegible] with Paul, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing."

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Meeting

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends in Richmond, Indiana.

Dear Friends,

We have met this year, as heretofore, with the members of the various Quarterly Meetings, and we have received with much satisfaction the reports of the condition of the Society within their limits. We are especially gratified that the bonds which for centuries have united us as a religious body remain unbroken, and we pray that we may so abide in Him who has called us "Friends" that we may all be "one in Christ Jesus."

There is no tendency in this Yearly Meeting to relax its zeal in maintaining our ancient testimonies against [illegible] and we are working with [illegible] to secure justice and right, with the blessings of education and Christian civilization, to the Indians and freedmen. We are much encouraged with the increasing zeal [illegible] to assimilate the habits of the entire social structure to Gospel purity.

There is a growing disposition to understand and apply the principles of truth contained in the Holy Scriptures, and we feel that it becomes us as followers of Christ to [illegible] the manners and practices of all in the fellowship of Friends. "Be not conformed to this world". We are encouraging the study of the Bible among all our members, for we realize that a knowledge of the Scriptures, made clear by the illumination of the Spirit, will [illegible] to the [illegible] of the Gospel [illegible]

istry, but we realize the great importance of develo-
ping all the powers of intellect and heart, and we
are convinced that God can more effectively
use as chosen instruments in His service if we
have enjoyed the advantages of education
tion and cultivation of mind in which this
enlightened age abounds. We however are firmly
aware that depth of intellect and breadth of culture
are of secondary importance for
God's work, knowing that He bestows various gifts
as it pleases Him according to His own purpose,
and that the consecration of heart and the call of
the Lord are the essential preparation.

Yet we are desirous that our young members
shall receive such careful training that the
usefulness of their future service shall
be multiplied.

In looking back over the years
gone by we see much cause for thankfulness
to God and blessed during the past year, and
we have carefully considered, at this time how best
to preach Christ to the world, and to build up
believers in faith and love. It is our purpose to be
faithful, obedient, submissive instruments of
God in this great work of reaching other lives
with the divine message of salvation and life.

We see no danger of overrating the principles
of our religious faith as long as we are found humbly
waiting upon the Spirit for direction, and this we desire
to make the attitude of our meeting. The headship of
Christ, the unity of the body, the direct influence
of the Holy Spirit and the spiritual responsibilities
of individual members are regarded essential and
vital truths among us.

We have been favored to travel over various
parts of the country, visiting our
churches in England and Wales, and have
been impressed with the faithfulness
of our early friends and their unwavering devotion
to the truth as they understood it, and we feel that
we could say a grateful testimony, as to some
measure of advance, God's work and to noble

ines which shall be living tithes to the world,

[illegible]

[illegible] strengthened with might by His Spirit, and enabled to do our work in this day to His glory.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the meeting.

Jesse G. Hurd, Clerk.

[illegible]

Jesus Christ, our only — yet sufficient — Saviour;

[illegible]

[illegible] and righteousness, you may abound more and more, and that a good and precious harvest may result from your faithful service and your patient waiting.

In the way of reading this year, that is, what shall be the special subjects, the [illegible] characterized by a spirit of unity and love, and of [illegible] the guidance of the Lord in the various affairs that have come before us. It is gratifying to observe how [illegible] our Meeting has been fully occupied for several years past with [illegible] into more spiritual things, so as to more fully experience the truth, that we should [illegible] be [illegible] for the [illegible] results which always [illegible]

[illegible] smoothness [illegible] the [illegible] results which always [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] counsel to [illegible] in relation
[illegible] attitude which the Christian followers of Christ
should maintain towards each other, and toward the
world.

[illegible] of Christian work have
[illegible] during the year.

We are [illegible] reminded of the financial and
[illegible] with which our nation is passing,
as of the [illegible] which confront the church.
Our sympathies are awakened for such as may be
brought into trial by any of these causes, and we say
that those who remain faithful and steadfast-remembering that "our light affliction which is but for a
moment worketh for us a far more exceeding and
eternal weight of glory."

The prosperity of your various forms of united effort
[illegible] and encouraged us [illegible]; "May you
be [illegible] in the love and in the [illegible] of His might"
and may He "make you perfect in every good work
to do His will, working in you that which is well
pleasing in His sight; through Jesus Christ."

It was the concurrence of this meeting to invite
all the Yearly Meetings in the United States, with
whom we correspond to unite with us in memorializing Congress on the prohibition of the liquor traffic
as [illegible] and immoral.

Farewell to you our friends.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the mg. aforesaid.

Anna G. Hoag } clerks.

To the epistle to Baltimore was added the following
paragraph. "We wish to express to you our gratification [illegible] the part of your epistle in the work of
[illegible] by providing means for the support of
[illegible] to [illegible]."

To the [illegible] epistle was added this paragraph.
"We wish to express to you [illegible] acknowledgment of your interest in the work of [illegible]
providing means for the education of five girls at that

Mission. [illegible] of California Yearly Meeting."

The clerk of Western Yearly Meeting added this postscript.

"We lovingly commend our interest in the Children's Department of Bethany College." We believe it right and that Friends institutions of learning provide facilities for the fuller and thorough study of the Bible, to the end that all our members may "be thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

To Ramallah Monthly Meeting

Dearly-beloved:—

"Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ." God's [illegible] to have us made glad by your loving salutation to us, and to pray that we may "grow in grace," for "the grace that is given unto you."

We feel that it is with us as it is with you. "We are a sea of troubles, and [illegible] to be cast to shore." But we have [illegible] that when Peter walked on the water he began to sink; he was safe as long as he looked straight to Jesus; The sea and the wind rock beneath his feet, when he looked at the waves about him he began to sink. But Jesus took his hand and walked with him.

So you in distant Ramallah and we in America, though the land ocean lies between us will be held from sinking in the sea of temptation if we look to Him.

We are glad you are "reading the Bible" as you say. You say "the words that I speak unto you they are spirit and they are life." God's Word is [illegible] us to understand them, and we pray to walk in the manner we learn the Sacred Book, and to seek for revelations for our guidance.

We thank for your daily life. It is this that unites our hearts as one. Continue when we pray for you, pray as you do for us. It is always as if we stood hand in hand. We pray that your little children may be trained to fear God and keep His commandments.

[illegible] you to pray for us, that we who have so many things in this Christian land may do the will [illegible] will do it. The name of Jesus is very [illegible] said, "All [illegible] temptations. What a wonderful Savior! Let our hearts say "Hallelujah."

[illegible] all your country. "Let the Lord your Savior's birth and he live in peace. The [illegible] is the good seed, the end of the kingdom. Every thing we do "in the name of the Lord Jesus," is sowing the good seed, and God will [illegible] and cause it to take root and grow, and spread. Dear friend, we pray you to give heed to this. Let your words and your actions all be good seed. If you [illegible] seed, God will take care of it.

[illegible] your parish is preached here. We told them [illegible] and many, many turning their faces to [illegible] of death, whom they had so long despised and [illegible], and receiving Him as their Savior. This made our hearts greatly rejoice, Jesus is the King, and [illegible] to reign in all the earth.

"Even so, come Lord Jesus."

We have prayed for the safe return of our dear friends Timothy and Anna Tussey who have been graciously answered. We were praying for the same thing on this side of the water, while you were praying on that side, and it is done. O that we may ever be enabled thus to be faithful to God's word, and to rejoice to see upon the Lord Jesus and to hear their voices.

They are telling us much about our brethren and sisters in far off Jamaica, and the distance every day seems less between you and us. We are praying that the dear [illegible] with you may be greatly blessed in their work of faith and labor of love among you", and that in God's own time He will safely guide them back to us.

The dear "Mission Mother" and all the teachers and

Anna G. Ford

Utah.

Rejoicing as we have at this time in the comfort and [illegible] of many of our young people, we feel that we want to send greeting to those who have not been able to gather with us.

We are sure that in many of your hearts is a most earnest desire to be wholly the Lord's and we rejoice in the field of work that is opened to you, in this new world, by your Christian Endeavor Society.

When the prophet Samuel was sent to anoint one of the sons of Jesse to be king, a spirit came upon him; he said "surely the Lord's anointed is before Him." He was judged because of the outward appearance of Eliab.

But take courage, those who think that they have need to ask for gifts, and those who feel unable to contribute like Moses. "I am slow of speech and of a stammering tongue." Aaron was given as "Moses' mouth, and he shall be to him instead of God." The Lord asked of Jesse, "Are here all thy children?" and the father replied, "There remaineth yet the youngest, and behold he keepeth the sheep."

Now was to be exemplified in his case, the [illegible] "Not by might nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." "Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies, that thou might still the enemy and the avenger."

There is always life and freshness in the service of the [illegible] child of God, for the [illegible]

of the cross bearing is measured. To follow after
our dear Crucified Lord is always a matter
of His divine will.

He came not to do His own will, but the will
of his Father that sent Him. Does it then look
too hard, dear ones, to take up the daily cross?
to put on the yoke of Christ, which is such an
easy one when the will is resigned? to bear the
burden which love counted light?

How blessed to make this sacrifice whereby
His sweet peace may abide in our hearts.

When the dear rest of Jesus is
In peace and there alone,
And quiet at home with Him for
The patient child can.

Like David fair and ruddy,
In inexperienced youth,
Who yet because of perfect faith
Has strength in heavenly truth.

In trust the hand of Christ is God,
Whose might is still the same.
So fell and ran with sling and stone,
In Christ's availing name.

Signed on behalf of the meeting
Anna C. Wood Clerk.

Boston, 6 mo. 1894

To the sick and afflicted of New England Yearly Meeting

Dearly Beloved:

We are engaging the great privilege of
writing you a few lines, that we may be bound
to you, who are to us very precious because you
are the dear afflicted ones, or who are bearing
the cup of suffering in any form, mental, spiri-
tual, or physical.

We want you to know how our hearts are
bound to you in tender sympathy and love, and

[illegible] "the God of all grace" [illegible] "all grace" which will meet every need, and the "comfort" that will comfort you "in all your tribulation."

[illegible] knows why He calls you to tread the pathway of suffering and toil.

"Each trial that fills the daily cup, He knows
Prescribes, for ills none else can understand.
He is the Great Physician. He cannot err [illegible]
It's "needful" for the trials that come to those
He loves, but we are no judges of these things.
The answer lies in "our eyes are holden" but some day
we shall see and know even as we are known.

His word is pledged to this, and whatever may be the form of the trial, whether the loss of health, or wealth, or loved ones, the promise is sure. "As one whom his mother comforteth so will I comfort you, and ye shall be comforted." Oh the mother comfort of our God! The trembling, grieving, broken-hearted child up into His arms, close to His great heart of love. The gentle wiping away of the falling tear, with the blessed promise that comes to us with the assurance that it is the home towards which we hasten "God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death neither sorrow nor crying."

"As many as I love I rebuke and chasten." "As many as I love!" Dear Father! let not one of us shrink from this token of Thy love. Did not an earthly monarch [illegible] upon our hand his own signet ring, which would obtain for us the royal favor and protection, and enable the bearer to transact business and convey messages to others with the authority of the king!

And hath not our Lord, "the man of sorrows and acquainted with grief," whose love and mercy [illegible] us from our sins in His own blood, made us kings and priests unto God! "Whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth;" and it is so meet that he knows best who he appoints. Job said, "Wearisome days and nights

are appointed unto me." When we stop and think who appoints, it does so sweeten the bitterest earthly cup.

"Then drink ye, drink ye all of it,
Ye children of the King;
In heaven's vineyard there is wine
To make ye merry here.
'Tis Love's own hand that gives the cup,
He blessed it to the sons;
Then fear not child, to drink it up,
In fellowship with Him."

[illegible] God knows whom He can trust, and these trials are allowed not only for our own purification, but for the sake of others. It may be that nothing will [illegible] like the example of one [illegible] God's will, those who thus show forth His grace in their later years, give their testimony to the truth of His promises, even through the cracks of their infirmities, seem to be pointing to a brighter place.

[illegible] fruit not, no reproach, and may "the God of peace give you peace always by all means," and may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Signed on behalf of the meeting.

Anna G. Hall

Clerk.

Brighton, 2 m., 1894.

To Our Dear Children

[illegible] sending you a letter. We want you all to love us, and [illegible] Yearly Meetings, where so much is told us of Jesus and his love.

[illegible] Granddaughter's knee and said "Mama are there no bees in Heaven?" she turned it to [illegible] bright little face and said, "I love Heavenly Father best then Mama and Grandpa", that dear little girl had learned a good lesson and so we want you all to learn, that if you love Heavenly Father you will love every one else. And loving Jesus makes us love his dumb animals, did you ever think of that! God loves all of his dumb animals and he wants us to be kind to them and because they cannot talk for themselves he wants you dear children to talk for them whenever you see them abused. God loves to see little children do all they can to make animals happy, so we should treat them kindly, and instead of teasing them always be thoughtful of their comfort.

If you will turn in your Bibles to Col. 3 2nd you will learn that God wants you to obey father and mother and the reason he wants you to do so, is not only because they are your Father and Mother but because they know best what is good for you and will always try to do the very best for you. It may seem hard sometimes that mother will not let you do something which you very much wish to do; but if you will just stop and think we mother loves me, and she lets me do everything she thinks will not harm me, doesn't she want to do the very best? Just try it a while dear children if you do not succeed and see how happy you will be.

The Yearly Meeting has made a way of spending money, [illegible] for the Indians that they need help to save their little children to work. Some of the [illegible] people in the South have a hard time to

get enough to eat and wear. They do not have a chance to go to school as you do. Then the little [illegible] New England Yearly Meeting send them [illegible] money [illegible] with which you [illegible] you know of some child, perhaps in your own neighborhood who hasn't a doll or kitty's playthings while you have so many.

Do you not think it would be a good way whenever you have a little money of your very own, instead of [illegible] it for candy or [illegible] to put it in the box? and with the rest of it while you are children get into the habit of saving something for [illegible] out of all the money you have how much more it will be when you are grown, and as you grow older it will never seem hard but it will be a pleasure and quite a treat, for you will have learned that a part of all you have [illegible] to the Lord and will be ready [illegible] to use it for him.

[illegible]

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

[illegible]

Anna G. Wood, Clerk.

Minutes of Women Yearly Meeting of Women Friends

held 6mo 19th 1895.

For previous sittings see Mens Minutes

Women's meeting

Fourth day Sixth Month 1895

The meeting assembled in separate sessions according to adjournment. Epistles from our sisters in Dublin, North Carolina, Indiana and Western Yearly Meetings were received and read to our comfort and edification.

The Report of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society was read, and we rejoice in this manifestation of Christian activity. The Lord who has called to the work, has richly blessed the labors of his devoted children, and we trust a full fruitage to His glory may be seen in the years to come.

Report of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society
To the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends

Statistics

	No. Auxiliaries		No. Members.	
	1894	1895	1894	1895
Rhode Island	6	6	114	99
Salem	5	5	132	129
Sandwich	4	4	61	64
Falmouth	3	4	85	76
Smithfield	2	2	46	45
Vassalboro	3	3	60	63
Dover	1	1	9	10
Fairfield	3	3	48	73
Parsonsfield	2	2	36	25
Total	29	30	591	574.

Auxiliaries 30 gained 1 Members 574 lost 17 life members 23

Review tables with Statistics.

In 1886 we had 31 auxiliaries with 617 members.
" 1887 " " 29 " " 646 "
" 1888 " " 27 " " 526. "
" 1889 " " 25 " " 475 "
" 1890 " " 24. " " 467 "
" 1891 " " 33 " " 623 "
" 1892 " " 33 " " 644 "
" 1893 " " 31 " " 627 "
" 1894 " " 29 " " 591 "
" 1895 " " 30 " " 574 "

The work in Ramallah and among the Indians has received our first attentions, but aid has also been extended to the Jewish Mission at Chicago, to sufferers in Nebraska and Kansas, a native missionary from Africa, to the work at Alaska, and by one auxiliary towards educating a little girl in India.

Twenty six auxiliaries are reported as giving attention to the department of Missionary Literature, twenty five to that of Proportionate Systematic Giving, and seventeen to junior and juvenile work.

Six auxiliaries endeavor to maintain the first days of each month as missionary days.

Fifty honorary members, men and boys, are reported.

The number of public meetings reported is so very small that we fear the record is incomplete. We will give it, however, as it is reported. Fourteen public meetings, fifteen prayer meetings, four missionary concerts, and three lectures. We surely need stirring upon the line of public meetings.

Money has been raised for the work in various ways, methods known to all our auxiliaries, but nothing has been reported that appears to be at all objectionable. We do hope that more will be done in the matter of systematic giving than has been. That certainly seems the Scriptural and therefore the most God-honoring method. There also seems great need of pressing our department work. The work cannot be carried on without money and surely if each would set aside so small a sum as one tenth of his income, there would be no lack of means. Our children and young people, too, must be trained to a genuine love of the work if they are to come up and fill the places of us, who are older, when we fall out of the ranks. Then, too, we need to be enlightened as to the fields and its needs, and this must come to us largely through literature. A faithful study of the Uniform Lessons prepared for the Advocate is a wonderful help in this direction. Will we not try to do more on all these lines?

Our dear workers at the Kickapoo Mission have been indefatigable in their labors during the past year, and the Lord has blessed them and their work. They have the terrible drink evil to contend with, as we have it

here. Soon after our last Yearly Meeting, Elizabeth West wrote: "The effect of the open saloons is terrible in this new country. Even small boys, four and five years old drink. Choctaw City with two or three hundred inhabitants has three open saloons, and our Indians go there and get drunk. It will be much worse if they open saloons here with saloons in every corner." The universal testimony of our missionaries in all lands is, that where the barrel of rum precedes the Bible or goes with it, — yes, and where it follows it, too, deadly work is done, and the wheels of the gospel car are sadly blocked.

Another hindrance has been the unsettled condition of the Kickapoos with regard to taking their allotments. They think themselves greatly wronged by the Government, and have little confidence in any white people except the missionaries. It is hard to erase from their minds the memory of a "Century of Dishonor".

Towards the close of the last year the hearts of the missionaries were greatly encouraged by blessed answers to their prayers for the welfare of the people among whom they labored. The visit of the late Professor Painter was greatly blessed of the Lord. John S. Kimber, son of our beloved Margaret C. Kimber, of sainted memory, also made them a visit which was reported to us in Twelfth Month. Of this E. Test says: "He won his way to the hearts of the Indians at once, and signal blessings attended his gospel ministrations. In company with some of the workers he visited some of the Shawnees, spending the night in one of their floorless cabins, and living as the Indians lived. The next First-day was one of great blessing; thirty four Indians gathered, though it was a rainy day. An after meeting was held with very blessed results. It is believed that Panther was converted, and he soon began to go about telling of Jesus." Not long after we hear of his rising in meeting, and preaching with singular power and unction to his people in their "own tongue wherein they were born". This was something we had been asking for definitely, and God granted our petition.

A blessed work of grace has also been going on among the children, and E. Test says of them, "An earnestness is displayed by some of the young converts which is really inspiring". All the children, with little exception, seem to

be really trying to walk in the ways of the Lord."
Through the kindness of a friend, means have been furnished for a small addition to E. Testi's house, so that Rachel Kirk can make her home with them, and their hearts are greatly cheered at the prospect of her company and her helpful advice and counsel in their work.
There being a prospect of a change in several helpers at the Mission, our prayers are asked that the right ones may be sent, and that wisdom may be given to those who stand at the head of the work in all their decisions. Lina B. Lunt is still E. Testi's faithful coadjutor in the work. We are still endeavoring to support twenty one girls in the Training Home at Ramallah. There are at present twenty four girls in the Home. Two of the new pupils came from Cana of Galilee, two from Jerusalem, and one from es-Salt beyond the Jordan, in the land of Moab. The wildest of them soon began to show signs of improvement, learned cheerfully to obey the rules of the school, and became very happy and contented.
In writing of the new pupils, Katie Gabriel says, "Those from Cana represent the old Canaanites of the land, and are examples of how much there is to be done to elevate their people. We are glad to have the privilege of helping such, and trust to prove that the time and means spent on them have not been wasted."
These girls are from many different localities throughout Palestine, and as they return to their scattered homes their Christian influence will be widely spread.
At the close of the present months, a class of seven girls will graduate, receive their diplomas, and be prepared to teach in both Arabic and English. They have been thoroughly instructed, and best of all we believe they are practical Christians. Two of them will remain at the Training Home as assistant teachers, four will be employed to assist in the day schools of the village of Ramallah, and one will go to assist her mother, a native Christian woman who is teaching an interesting school in Jiffneh, supported by the friends of Baltimore Yearly Meeting.
One dear girl, who expected to graduate this year, was obliged to leave school on account of ill health. We

hope she may be able to return and complete her course of study. While an inmate of the hospital at Jerusalem, her sweet Christian influence was felt by those about her. She sang the hymns she had learned in the Training Home, and told the children in her gentle way the stories of the Bible that she knew and loved so well. We hope, if spared, she will become, in the Lord's hands, a great blessing to the people who now dwell in deplorable ignorance and spiritual darkness on the site of the city of Ephrata, once the home of Gideon, and now her home, her widowed mother having lately removed there from Nazareth.

A gift of ten dollars to be added to our permanent fund has come to us from James F. Almy, in memory of his mother, Julia E. Almy, a member of the auxiliary of Salem, Mass. who passed on, Seventh Month, 30th, 1894. A similar gift of ten dollars has also been given by friends of our late dear friend Lavinia G. Hunting, who passed on, Fourth Month 10th, 1894, a minister in Weare Monthly Meeting, N. H. Are there not others who would gladly put such a memorial gift into our work? In this way the work of the dear ones who have passed into the beyond can still be going on.

Elizabeth T. Larkin
Corresponding Secretary.

Report of Superintendent of Literature.
To the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends. —

The statistics of this department from First Month 1st, 1894, to First Month 1st, 1895, are as follows, viz —

Number of auxiliaries having libraries	9
" " reporting so	19
" volumes in libraries	64.

Two auxiliaries are on two books bought for a nucleus and some pamphlets and Missionary Advocate for circulation.

Number of subscribers to Missionary Advocate, as reported from the auxiliaries, 209; number given during the sessions of the Yearly Meeting, 19, making a total of 228, a decrease of three instead of the greatly

desired increase over last year. We fear that we are not as a body properly upholding this valuable paper, and we desire, that this year, still greater effort may be made to enlarge its circulation. Our general Secretary writes that "if the subscriptions are not increased, the Board will have to resort to some other methods of paying the cost of the paper, either by premiums or advertisements, to both of which methods there are serious objections. There are many Friends who cannot afford to take it; and others who do not care for it; could not some of these give the price of the subscription, to send it to one or more of their needy families with whose addresses the editor is supplied?"

There have been sent to the local Superintendents 443 tracts or 3782 pages of reading matter. Reports from seventeen auxiliaries show that 2560 tracts have been distributed by their local Superintendents, the greatest number by any single one being 568, who writes, "I am very much interested in the work, but am an old lady and a cripple and willing to help the cause, trusting and praying that the Lord will bless my feeble efforts." Four auxiliaries report none distributed, five say a few, or several, or some, three have kept no account; and one mentions that forty tracts have been read and sent to those who wish.

The study of missionary literature will keep us in touch as nothing else will, with the great facts of modern civilization, especially as relating to its highest type of Christianity, and lack of knowledge is often lack of interest; so we feel that it is important to found more missionary libraries and make this department an educational one.

Respectfully submitted
Hannah P. Ladd
General Superintendent of Literature

Report of Proportionate Systematic Giving.
To the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends for New England.

The statistics of this department, as reported by the auxiliaries, are as follows: —

Number of Tracts received	444.
" " " distributed	455
" " Leaflets received	141
" " " distributed	353
" " Mite boxes given out	92
" " Addresses delivered	20
Amount of Mite box collections	$104.20
Number who practice Systematic Giving	145

A catalogue of tracts on Systematic Giving and a Responsive Reading have been sent to the auxiliaries, but the department has not distributed many tracts this year.

The same methods of raising money are generally reported as in former years; but one or two auxiliaries state that they have given up these methods and depend entirely on free-will offerings. There seems thus an advance towards recognizing our stewardship, and laying aside a portion for the Lord's work as each has prospered. May our next year show a still further growth in this direction.

This year reports have been received from nearly all the auxiliaries. One auxiliary reports that it does not have the department, and sends no statistics, and others, who report through their Corresponding Secretary, send very imperfect ones. It is believed that there are members of these auxiliaries who are in the practice of proportionate systematic giving, but they are not reported. How can the Superintendent make a complete report to the Yearly Meeting if some auxiliaries refuse to appoint a Superintendent of this department? The looking up of these statistics does not belong properly among the duties of the Corresponding Secretary, and yet she must do it, or none be furnished if there is no Superintendent.

Let every auxiliary remember that the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has this department, and they are not fulfilling their duty if they do not support it properly. If they look at this subject in the right manner, it can scarcely be

doubted that next year will find the department fully organized, ready to work, and able to report what has been accomplished.

Respectfully submitted
D. P. Atherton.
Superintendent Prospective Systematic Giving

Portland 6. mo 17th 1895.

Report of the Juniors and Juvenile Department.
To the Yearly Meeting

For the past year the ten Mission Bands of our Yearly Meeting represent a membership of about one hundred and thirty five, and they have contributed the sum of $212,92 to the work.
Four day scholars at the Ramallah Mission have been supported by the Bands at Manchester, Portland, North Berwick, Me. and Boston. The expenses of two girls at the Training Home have been paid one by the Ella Johnston Band of thirty members, at Winthrop Centre, Me, and one by the bands of Portland Me. and Central Village, Mass. At their annual sale in Portland, the "Little Helpers" Mission Band made $27.53. The boys have been very busy in covering stools which will be sold at their next sale, and the girls dressed dolls to send to the Indian children. Whole amount raised $37.15.
The Ella Johnston Band at Winthrop Centre is composed mostly of young ladies. They have been particularly helped by having Ella Johnston herself working with them. This band has raised ninety dollars.
Other bands have assisted the Ramallah Mission in various ways by money and supplies. We notice that mite-boxes and collections are used generally as a means of raising money, and we also hear of much hand work being done, prompted by loving hearts.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah D. Bowne
Superintendent

Amesbury Sixth mo. 5th 1895.

Report of the Treasurer of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of New England Yearly Meeting, 1894 and 1895.

Note of M. M. Bailey Investment for Building Fund. (Indian) $187.93

Receipts

Balances from last year		$14.53
Collection at public meeting at Newport.		68.26
Amounts received from Quarterly Meeting Auxiliaries:-		
Rhode Island	$549.06	
Salem	366.05	
Sandwich	104.87	
Falmouth	197.78	
Smithfield	157.39	
Vassalboro	142.50	
Dover	16.00	
Fairfield	101.84	
Packard's field	21.14	
		1,656.63
Bible School Collections		98.30
Junior Mission Bands		134.04
Borrowed Eleventh Month 23d 1894		270.27
On note of M. M. Bailey for improvement of land at Kickapoo Mission		100.
Miscellaneous receipts		262.75
Collections at public meetings held by E. H. Johnson after deducting travelling and incidental expenses,		129.62
Borrowed Third Month 30th to meet obligations at Ramallah		60.27
Total		$2794.69

Expenditures.

Wm. J. Hussey for girls in Training Home	$1363.00
" " " " seven day scholars	35.00
" " " money collected by E. H. Johnson	46.58
For Elizabeth Test salary	294.88
" Lina B. Hunt "	294.88
" special support of children at Kickapoo Mission	120.50
On note of M. M. Bailey. Indian Building Fund	100 —
E. Test from Western Y. M. of Women Friends	40.62
" " " a friend	31. —
Miscellaneous expenditures	34.20

Anna L. Evans, for support of Effie E. Swan, India.	$ 25.—
Ellen W. Longstreth, Treasurer Missionary Union.	76.70
Anna M. Gove, Trustee, three life memberships	60.—
Paid loan of Eleventh Month 23rd. 1895	270.27
Total	$ 2794.69
Balance on M. M. Bailey's note for Indian Building Fund.	87.88.

We have examined the above account with vouchers for expenditures and find them correct.

M. Augusta Bailey, } Auditors.
Elizabeth W. Swan }

Satisfactory reports have been received from Treasurers of 16 local auxiliaries in Amesbury, Hallowell, Long Plain, West Gardiner, Salem, North Sandwich, Westport, East Parsonsfield, Newport, Lynn, Ballou, Winthrop Centre, Boston, South Durham and Allen's Neck. They report money raised by sales, suppers, lectures, mite-box collections, birthday boxes, four-mile and thank offerings, and by systematic giving. Salem Auxiliary reports a box sent to Kickapoo Mission, value about $30.— and Lynn Auxiliary clothing sent to same Mission, value $10.;— Winthrop Centre juvenile Band has supported a girl in the Training Home at Ramallah, and forwarded $20 on the next years account.

Three life members have been received during the year. The list now stands as follows:—

Elizabeth T. Larkin.	Mary H. Osborne.
Caroline Dick Jones.	Huldah H. Leighton.
Hannah B. Farr.	Anna G. Wood.
Ellen H. Johnston.	Emmeline H. Tuttle.
Ruth S. Murray.	Lydia C. Sawyer.
Ellen F. Buffum.	Phebe S. Aydelott.
Mary H. Robinson.	Sarah J. Swift.
Mary E. Gifford.	Elizabeth Austin Gifford.
Mary S. Macomber.	Lina B. Lent
Hannah G. Sherman	Lucy P. Hawkes
Hannah J. Bailey	Lucy R. Goddard.

Myra E. Frye.

Respectfully submitted.

Portland Sixth mo. 1st 1895. Susan H. Meader, Treasurer.

For itemized statements of receipts and expenditures see printed reports.

Report of Trust Funds of Women's Foreign Missionary Society for New England. Geody Meeting.

Receipts

Interest on Nebraska Loan and Trust Co.	$ 12 —
" " A. F. Cox & Sons note.	5. —
" " deposit in Augusta Savings Bank.	3.61
For three life memberships	60 —
	$ 80.61

Expenditures

Paid Susan H. Meader. Treasurer	$ 7.60
Deposit in Augusta Savings Bank	60. —
Cash on hand	13.01
Fourth month 1st 1895.	$ 80.61

Amount held in trust

Cash on hand.	$ 13.01
In Augusta Savings Bank.	160 —
Nebraska Loan and Trust Co.	200 —
A. F. Cox & Sons note	100 —
	$ 473.01

For the Trustees

Winthrop Centre Fourth mo 1st 1895. Mary G. Winslow

I have examined the above accounts and the vouchers for expenditures and found them correct.

M. Augusta Bailey Auditor.

The following named Friends have been appointed as officers of the Society for the ensuing year.

President - Phebe S. Aydelotte. 70 Rock St, Fall River, Mass

Vice Presidents at Large — Myra E. Frye, Woodfords, Maine.
Ruth S. Murray, Grand St, New Bedford, Mass.

Corresponding Secretary - Elizabeth T. Larkin 72 Central St.
Peabody, Mass.

Recording Secretary - Abby M. C. Bond 27 Beach Avenue,
Lynn, Mass.

Treasurer, Susan H. Meader 634 Warren St. Roxbury Mass.

Quarterly meeting Vice Presidents:

Rhode Island – Adaline F. Chase, Fall River, Mass Box 355.
Salem – Jennie W. Crossman, Mountain Avenue, Lynn, Mass.
Sandwich Elizabeth A. Giffard, Adamsville, R. I.
Smithfield – Sarah J. Swift, 22 Oak Avenue Worcester Mass
Dover – Almira Burgum, North Berwick, Maine.
Falmouth – Miriam C. Webber, Lisbon Falls, Maine.
Vassalboro – Eliza P. Pierce, East Vassalboro Maine.
Fairfield – Lizzie M. Hawkes, Manchester, Maine.
Parsonsfield – Mary L. Cobb, Parsonsfield, Maine.

Trustees of Permanent Fund.

For one year – Mary G. Winslow, Winthrop Centre, Maine
" two years – Hannah J. Bailey, Winthrop Centre, Maine.
" three years Anna M. Dane, Seabrook, N. H.

Superintendents of Departments.

Proportionate and Systematic Giving,
Deborah P. Atherton, Uxbridge, Mass.
Literature,
Hannah P. Sadd, Providence R. I. Box 453.
Juniors & juvenile work,
Mary W. Jones, Winthrop Centre, Maine.

Auditors

Mr. Augusta Bailey, Providence R. I.
Elizabeth W. Swan, 2 Berne St., Boston, Mass.

Box Committee

Chairman Mary B. Johnston 469 Cumberland St.
Portland, Me.
Isabella D. Chase, Cherry St, Lynn, mass.
Olive H. Weeks Friends School Providence R. I.

The Yearly Meeting Committee on Finance presented their report, which was accepted. We unite in the suggestions contained in their report, in connection with our Home Friends

The Committee on Returning Minutes proposed minutes for the ministers in attendance. We unite with our New Friends in approving their action, and the Clerk is directed to sign the various minutes on our behalf.

The Committee on Finance for 1895 presented a report, which is united with by this and the Men's Meeting.

The answers to the queries to the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight, together with a minute of that Meeting have been read.

The Nominating Committee presented the names of the following Friends, to constitute a committee on the disbursement of the income of the Mosher Fund, whose names will appear under "Standing Committees."

The Committee on Social Purity presented their annual report, which was acceptable to the Meeting. We hope their efforts to promote purity of life and heart will be abundantly blessed by Him who said, "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." The meeting was united in committing the care of the work to the same committee, under the name of the Committee on Purity.

Report of the Committee on Social Purity.

To the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends:

"Give me, O Christ, thy love in all its power,
And let my thoughts be good and pure and true,
Give me thy grace to do thy will not mine;
And when I falter, as I often do,
Be thou my guide."

"Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom". Words spoken by Solomon long ago, and yet to-day they are as pregnant with truth as when first uttered. As we enter more largely into the work of Social Purity, and see the subtlety with which Satan is twining his iniquitous toils about our children,

and blighting the lives of the young men and women of our land, poisoning the moral atmosphere about us, our hearts would fail us, and our hands hang down helpless, were it not for the sweet voice of Jesus saying, "I gave my life for thee,
What hast thou done for me?"
His precious promise, "My grace is sufficient for thee," helps, too, so blessedly in the work. So, with our eyes fixed on Jesus, we are sowing the seed, and we will work on, trying carefully, gently, and wisely to root out the noxious weeds where they exist, and to keep them out where they have not yet appeared, that the good seed may spring up and grow.
Reports have been received from the members of the committee, which are full of interest. Three or four members have been prevented by much sickness in their families, or their own ill health, from doing as much as they wished, but their prayers have been constant, and their interest in the work undiminished.
In Vassalboro' Quarter one Mothers Meeting has been held; seventy five copies of the State laws relating to the subject have been posted in post offices and other public places, and otherwise distributed; fifty five pledge cards for small children used; two thousand one hundred and ninety-six pages of literature distributed, and steps taken to suppress the publication of vile advertisements in local papers. A good deal of personal work has also been done.
In Fairfield Quarter three Mothers Meetings have been held; one thousand and twenty five pages of literature distributed; literature sent to several sisters in separate localities, and at least one stirring sermon preached, which was a revelation to many.
In Dover Quarterly Meeting the work has been mostly private conversations with mothers, and also young people, boys and girls, on this important subject. The prayer recorded in Joel 2.17 seems especially applicable to us in these last days.
In Parsonsfield Quarter, also, the work has been mostly by way of private conversations. A small quantity

of literature has been distributed, and faithfulness exercised in dropping the good seed.
In Sandwich Quarter several hundred pages of literature have been distributed, talks given to Mothers Meetings, and much interest expressed. The literature has gone into many homes where it would meet the eyes of young people, and it is hoped the good seed will take deep root in their hearts.
In Smithfield Quarter talks have been given in the W. C. T. U., literature distributed, and private talks given.
Salem Quarter reports meetings held in Concord, Henniker, Manchester, and North Wade, N. H. also in Peabody and Lynn by Mary Jane Weaver of Batavia, N. Y. and a class of women interested and seed sown that must bring forth good fruitage. Members of our Committee keep some of our literature always with them, and often on the street, or in the cars, or other public places, when what seems a good opening occurs, distribute it. A talk to mothers was given at Exeter, N. H., this spring in a county W. C. T. U. Convention, which was well received, and a similar talk was given later, in one of the suburbs of the city of Manchester. Several Mothers Meetings have been held in Manchester during the year.
Four books, "Traffic in Girls", "Traps for the Young" "Crowning Sin of the Age", and Chastity, have been sent out during the past year to the members of our Committee, that we might realize the crying need there is for work in this direction. These books have been a startling revelation to us all, of the extent of the evil of impurity, and the need that we be up and doing.
Several other books have been purchased to be sent out to members of the Committee for careful reading, and we have issued another edition of two thousand copies of the leaflet on dancing. We believe much good has been done by the distribution of this literature, and have been very glad of the collection taken at our last County Meeting, which has given us means to prosecute this work.

Besides the books already specified as in circulation among the members of the Committee, we have purchased for the same purpose "A Study of Child Nature", "A Song of Life", "Confidential Talks with Young Men", "Confidential Talks with Young Women", "Science of Motherhood", by Hannah Whitall Smith, and White Slave Girls of Chicago. We recommend "Man the Masterpiece" which treats of the needs of the whole man; a greatly needful book, published by the Health Publishing Company of Battle Creek, Michigan. We have purchased for distribution at the Yearly Meeting, eight thousand two hundred and ninety pages of literature, besides which we have brought three thousand four hundred pages of our own publications.

Adelina F. Chace
Corresponding Secretary.

Report of Treasurer of Social Purity.

Receipts

Received at Yearly Meeting	$ 26.00
from member of Committee	2.00
	$ 28.00

Expenditures

Expended for books	$ 6.85
For expenses M. J. Wisner	4.16
Printing Leaflets	6.—
Postage & Stationery	3.00
Subscription to Philanthropist	4.00
Leaflets &c.	3.99
	$ 28.00

Mary Almy Chace
Treasurer.

Committee on Social Purity
Organization.

Chairman, Elizabeth T. Larkin.
Cor. Secy, Adelina F. Chace.
Rec Secy, Mo, Elizabeth Jones.
Treas, Mary Almy Chace.

Committee on Literature
Mary Almy Chace,
Mary C. Bayliss.
Salome C. Wheeler.

General Committee.

Mary A. Chace, Manchester, N. H. P. O. Box 124.
Elizabeth J. Larkin, Peabody, Mass. 72 Central St.
Mary C. Bayliss, New Bedford, Mass. 74 Bedford St.
Emmeline H. Tuttle, Dover N. H.
Salome C. Wheeler Uxbridge, Mass.
Abbie P. Jenkins, E. Vassalboro, Me.
Martha B. Osborne, Manchester, Me.
Melissa S. Dearborn, E. Parsonsfield Me.
H. Elizabeth Jones, Amesbury, Mass.
Adeline F. Chace, Fall River, Mass, P.O. Box 355
Angeline Mc. Pherson, Winthrop Centre, Me,
Adeline P. Briggs, Phoenix R. I. care Hexie Bros.
Elva B. Douglas Lisbon Falls, Me.

The meeting united in proposing that the Yearly Meeting of 1896 be held in separate sessions on Fourth day morning.

Adjourned to meet in joint session this afternoon

Ruth S. Murray
Clerk

Standing Committees of Yearly Meeting.

Members of the Representative Meeting.

For one year.

Augustine Jones.
William C. Newhall.
Elizabeth N. Giffords.
George H. Earle.
Alice M. Dow.
Eliza P. Rice.
Lydia M. C. Suttles.
Jesse McPherson.
John B. Cartland.
Myra E. Frye.
Charles A. Chace.
D. Wheeler Swift.
Lucy R. Gaddard.
Owen Dame.
Charles H. Thorndyke.
Benjamin Green.

For two years.

Phebe S. Aydelotte.
Daniel C. Mayfield.
John B. Bayliss.
John J. Frye.
Deborah P. Atherton.
Annie M. Ray.
William P. Tubbs.
Hannah J. Bailey.
Lydia A. Cartland.
Levi Jones.
Emmeline H. Suttles.
Salome C. Wheeler.
John S. Kimber.
Melissa S. Dearborn.
J. Hacker Hall.
Olney T. Meader.

For three years.

Samuel R. Buffington.
Lucy S. Herbert.
Susan F. Hopkins.
Ezra Hawkes.
Isaac Steere.
Henry H. Gaddard.
Timothy B. Hussey.
I. Warren Hawkes.
Silas H. Cartland.
Sarah J. Swift.
Joseph E. Biggs.
Anna G. Wood.
Joseph D. Wood.
Elizabeth K. Jones.
Philip A. Cornell.
George L. Crossman.

Providence Boarding School Committee.

For one year.

Timothy B. Hussey.
Samuel R. Buffington.
James H. Chase.
Silas M. Neal.
Samuel Buffum.
Robert P. Gifford.
Rachel S. Haviland.
Ellen K. Buffum.
Hannah J. Bailey.
Anna G. Wood.
Deborah W. Crossman.
Deborah P. Atherton.

For two years.

J. Warren Hawkes.
William C. Newhall.
Daniel C. Maxfield.
Charles A. Chace.
Olney J. Meader.
Charles Sisson.

Ruth S. Murray.
Alice W. Maxfield.
Anna M. Hussey.
Elizabeth H. Newhall.
Sarah Marble.
Susan Peckham.

For three years.

Edward S. Tucker.
Joshua L. Macomber.
John J. Frye.
Charles E. Cobb.
Thomas Wood.
Barker Newhall.

Bessie T. Wing.
S. Caroline Tobey.
Mary A. Crossman.
M. Augusta Bailey.
Martha Hoag, of Boston.
Rufus M. Jones.

Real Estate Committee

For one year

James H. Chace. Samuel Buffington.

For two years.

Olney J. Meader. Robert P. Gifford.

For three years.

Charles Sisson. Thomas Wood.

Committee on Education

Chairman. George A. Barton.
Secretary. Anna F. Hall.
Treasurer. J. Elwood Paige.

For one year

George A. Barton. Anna F. Hall. Rufus M. Jones.

For two years

Myra E. Frye. Ruth S. Murray. J. Elwood Paige.

For three years

Gertrude W. Castle. Wilmot R. Jones. Sarah Marble.

Committee on Peace

Chairman, Benjamin F. Trueblood.
Treasurer, Thomas Wood.
Secretary Samuel Buffum.

For one year.

Benjamin F. Trueblood. — Hannah J. Bailey.
Thomas Wood. — Silas H. Cortland.
Samuel Buffum. — Sylvester S. Aldrich.

For two years.

Nathaniel W. Gifford. — Samuel R. Buffington.
Ellen Bangs. — James M. Estes.
Mary C. Bayliss. — George H. Farr.

For three years.

Martha E. Hoag. — Sarah A. Hicks.
Elizabeth K. Jones. — Caroline Alice Jones.
S. Jane Cox. — Gertrude W. Cortland.

Organization of the Committee for the suppression of the Legion System

President Joseph H. Atwater
Secretary Ella L. Andrews.
Treasurer Elisha T. Read
Superintendent of Literature Mary A. Chase
" " Lectures Hannah J. Bailey.

Executive Committee

Joseph H. Atwater — Ella L. Andrews
Elisha T. Read — Mary A. Chase
Hannah J. Bailey.

General Committee

Joseph H. Atwater — Mary A Chase
Samuel N. Meader — Joshua L. Macomber
William Wood. — George L. Crossman
Susan M. Seabury

For one year.

For two years

Mary C. Bayliss
Elisha J. Read.
Ella L. Andrews.
Josiah B. Holden.
Lucy A. Sweet.
George H. Coles.
Emma F. R. Goddard.

For three years.

Charles E. Peaslee.
Emmeline H. Tuttle.
Hannah J. Bailey.
Clara W. Bowery.
Leslie O. Meader.
Mary L. Cobb.
Lizzie T. Hoag.

Committee on Oak Grove Seminary and Bailey Institute.

Chairman, Charles L. Bailey.
Secretary, J. Warren Hawkes.
Treasurer, Joseph E. Briggs.

For one year

Charles M. Bailey.
C. Irving Bailey.
Charles M. Jones.
Joseph E. Briggs.
John J. Frye.
Sophia D. Bailey.
Hannah J. Bailey.
S. Jane Cox.
Emma S. Briggs.
Myra E. Frye.
George L. Crossman.

For two years

Timothy B. Hussey.
Frank E. Jones.
Alfred H. Jones.
Henry Winslow.
Elwood A. Bailey.
Ruthanna H. Washburn.
Elva P. Pierce.
Mary E. Tabor.
Mary G. Winslow.
Eleanor S. Woodman.
J. Warren Hawkes.

For three years.

Jesse Mc Pherson
George H. Coles
William H. Douglass
Herbert O. Jepson
Melvina M. Bailey
Sarah Marble.
Anna M. Priest.
Eliza B. Douglass.
Clara B. Mumford.
Lillie M. Bailey.
Rufus M. Jones.

Committee on Foreign Missions.

Chairman, Timothy B. Hussey.

Recording & Corresponding Secretary,

Ruth S. Murray, New Bedford, Mass.

Treasurer, William T. Hussey, North Berwick, Me.

For one year

Timothy B. Hussey, Anna M. Hussey,
Anna G. Wood, Charles M. Jones,
Hannah J. Bailey, Harriette D. Collins,
Alice C. Earle.

For two years.

William Thompson, Susan T. Thompson,
Ruth S. Murray, Robert P. Gifford,
Huldah H. Leighton. Olney T. Meader.
William T. Hussey.

For three years

Samuel Buffum. Guilelma C. Woods.
Henry D. Swift. Martha E. Hoag.
D. Wheeler Swift. Elizabeth K. Jones.
Mary W. Jones, of Wiscasset Centre.

Committee on Western Indians.

Chairman Wm C. Newhall.
Secretary Myra E. Frye.
Recording Sec. Sarah J. Swift.
Treasurer Samuel Buffum.

For one year

Wm C. Newhall. Emmeline H. Tuttle.
Augustine Jones. Hannah J. Bailey.
John J. Frye. Joseph D. Wood.
Electra J. Collins.

For two years.

Edward T. Tucker.
Sarah J. Swift.
Lydia M. Hawkes.
Myra E. Frye.
Eben K. Buffum.
Asa C. Tuttle
Anna M. Gove.

For three years.

Samuel Buffum
Emma S. Briggs
Mary D. Collins
Susan H. Meader
Almira B. Buffum
John S. Kimber
Elisha T. Read.

Associated Ex. Committee

William C Newhall.
Emmeline H. Tuttle.
John S. Kimber.
Myra E. Frye.

Freedmen's Committee

Secretary and Treasurer Robert P. Gifford.

For one year

Joseph E. Briggs.
Susan F. Hapin.

For two years

George A. Barton
Anna M. Hussey.

For three years

Robert P. Gifford.
Hannah J. Bailey.

Gospel Committee

Chairman, Charles H. Jones.
Secretary, Harriette D. Collins.
Treasurer. Joseph E. Briggs.

Quarterly Meeting Superintendents of Gospel Work.

Rhode Island, Phebe S. Sydleman.
Salem, Charles H. Thorndyke.
Sandwich, William P. Macomber.
Falmouth, Henry F. Merrill.
Smithfield Salome C. Wheeler.

Vassalboro, James M. Estes,
Dover, Emmeline H. Tuttle.
Fairfield, Jesse McPherson.
Parsonsfield, Silas H. Courtland.

At large
For one year

Joseph E. Briggs

For two years

Harriette D. Collins.

For three years

Charles H. Jones.

Church Extension Board.

Chairman, Benjamin F. Trueblood.
Secretary, George L. Crosman.
Treasurer, Thomas Wood.

For one year.

Thomas Wood. John J. Joyce.
Timothy B. Nussey. Melville M. Bailey.

For two years.

Charles M. Bailey Phebe S. Aydelotte
Joseph E. Briggs Benjamin F. Trueblood.

For three years.

Charles A. Chace. George L. Crosman.
Anna M. Gove. Sarah W. Newlin.

Trustees.

S. Wheeler Swift, one year. Samuel Buffum, two years.
Mary T. Meader, three years.

Committee on Bible Schools.

Yearly Meeting Superintendent
Mary L. Chace.

Secretary and Treasurer.
Marianna Gifford.

Committee.

Marianna Gifford. George C. Herbert.
George L. Chaseman.

Quarterly Meeting Superintendents.

Rhode Island	M. Augusta Bailey
Salem,	Alice W. Jones.
Sandwich,	Sarah H. Tabor.
Falmouth,	Lewis M. Douglas.
Smithfield,	Douglas E. Babcock,
Vassalboro,	Annie M. Priest,
Dover.	William T. Hussey.
Fairfield	Alfred W. Hawkes.
Parsonsfield	Cornelius Turner.

General Committee.

For one year.

Thomas J. Bailey.	Sarah D. Brown.
Marianna Gifford.	Joshua L. Maconber.
George C. Herbert.	Sarah H. Tabor.

For two years

Elbridge W. Packard.	Alice M. Dow.
Anna J. Goddard.	Linwood W. Jones
Elisha T. Read.	Abbie P. Jenkins

For three years.

Clarence W. Pinkham.	Martha H. Osborne
Elizabeth B. Lord.	Thomas W. Haag.
C. Irving Bailey.	Melissa T. Bradbury

Committee on Finance.

Rhoda Island.	Samuel R. Buffington,	Phebe S. Sydleton
Salem,	Owen Dame,	Anna M. Gove.
Sandwich,	John B. Bayliss,	Susan F. Hoxie.
Falmouth,	John J. Hoyt,	Lucy R. Goddard.
Smithfield.	B. Wheeler Smith,	Deborah P. Atherton.
Vassalboro,	Alfred H. Jones,	Mary R. Jones.
Dover,	William P. Tuttle,	Almira B. Buffum.
Fairfield,	Joseph E. Briggs,	Hannah J. Bailey.
Parsonsfield,	Silas H. Cartland,	Lizzie S. Haag.

Yearly Meeting Correspondents.

Joseph Cartland. Newburyport, Mass.
Samuel Buffum. North Berwick, Me.
Hannah J. Bailey, Winthrop Centre, Me.

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John L. Taylor Anna F. Hall
Mary W. Jones, Winthrop Centre.

For two years
Henry H. Goddard Deborah P. Atherton
Mary L. Cobb.

For three years
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Owen Dame

Epistles to the Women's Meeting.

From the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held in Dublin, from the 1st of 5th month, to the 7th of the same inclusive — 1895.

To the next Yearly Meeting of Women Friends of New England.

Dear Sisters,

We have listened with interest to your acceptable Epistles, as well as to others from your land. They have awakened earnest desires for you and for ourselves that we may all experience a growth in grace, and an increase in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We are thankful to be able to reassemble as a Yearly Meeting, and can adopt the language of the Psalmist, "Bless the Lord O my soul, and forget not all His benefits." Although we have not many strangers amongst us, we feel it encouraging to welcome some from your land; and also our aged friend Isaac Sharp from England, who, after his extended travels, has come to visit us once more. These valued friends have preached to us the absolute necessity of "the new birth unto righteousness," through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, by the power of the Spirit of God.

They have also impressed upon us the importance of the further work of the same Spirit in baptizing us for service, and bringing us into perfect subjection unto Himself. In thus knowing our wills made one with His, we shall be enabled to stand as servants in waiting, joyfully ready to do His errands, whether it be to go the ends of the earth with the message of His love, or to tell it to those at home.

It is important that we should each be faithful to the intimation of the Holy Spirit, not looking to what another is called to do. If we ask Him for guidance, He will surely fulfil His promise, "The Lord shall guide thee continually."

We have noted with interest the variety of Mission Work under your care, at home and abroad.

We rejoice that several from our Yearly Meeting are also in the foreign mission field, and we have listened with thankfulness while many told us of the various branches of Home Mission work in which they are personally engaged. In the city of Dublin, much good work has been done amongst the Roman Catholics, through the means of the Prison Gate and Medical Missions and Ragged Schools &c.
We sympathise with you in the commercial depression which has overspread your country, knowing that it must seriously affect some amongst you. How true it is that "a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth," — that our life is hid with Christ in God, — that the treasure of the true Christian is laid up in Heaven, and is indestructible and sure. — We commend such to "God who comforteth those who are cast down, and would remind you of this promise "The Lord will give grace and glory, and no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly".
As members of the Society of Friends, many of us are thankful for our simple and spiritual worship, especially when Ritualism is spreading so widely.
May we value our privileges and remember that we are a highly professing people, and that the world is looking to us for an example, for, "unto whomsoever much is given of him shall much be required".
The cause of Temperance is of great interest to us, and though we trust it is progressing, there is need of diligent effort. We are especially concerned for the young, not only to gather them into "Bands of Hope", but, when the period of childhood is over, to watch that the early instruction is carefully followed up.
The subject of Peace is felt to be of great practical importance. The effort to unite your country with ours, in a treaty which shall provide for the settlement of all future differences, by arbitration instead of war, is one which should have the warmest support of us all. The abolition of the Opium traffic, (the trade our Indian possessions and China), is a matter of profound interest, also the extinction of the cruel slave trade in Africa.
Bless you, dear sisters, unite with us in prayer.

for the removal of these obstacles to the furtherance of the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour.
"The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all"
Yours in the bonds of Christian fellowship
Anna R. Barcroft
Clerk.

North Carolina

From North Carolina Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held in High Point, N.C. from the 8th to the 14th inclusive of 8th month 1894.

To the next Yearly Meeting of Women Friends of New England
Dear Sisters

With great thankfulness to our Heavenly Father for His loving care over us during the past year, we salute you in Christian love.
Your greeting has been acceptable and encouraging, and a reminder of the bond of union between us. Our friends from other Yearly Meetings, who are present with us, have given us much encouragement and advice.
We have been repeatedly taught, that to be effectual workers for the Lord, we need the endowment of power from on high. The necessity of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost has been set before us in a very clear and searching manner.
Allusions to the Foreign Mission work in each of the epistles from other Yearly Meetings indicate an increasing interest.
The report of our work for the past year is encouraging, and our public meeting at this time was a season of special interest and enthusiasm.
We clearly recognize our Heavenly Father's blessing upon our institutions of learning during the past year. Although we have felt our nation's great financial depression, our work has passed forwards. Guilford College has had a successful year and her prospects are bright for the future.

Our Orphanage is being developed, and much sympathy and interest in it is shown. A farm has been purchased and is being cultivated, a house also is in process of erection. The work at the Blue Ridge Mission is a source of much pleasure and satisfaction, though we realize that the field is large and more workers are needed.

The Christian Endeavor Society is growing in our Yearly Meeting, and in order that the work may be more fully known, one of our earnest workers goes out as an organizer during the coming year.

It has been urged that we give our attention more heartily to the Sabbath School work. While other organizations within the Society have proved great blessings, we find that nothing can take the place of the Sabbath School, as a means of bringing the children to Christ.

Many rumors are abroad concerning the lynching system. By no people is it held in greater condemnation than by our Society, but there are many other law-abiding Christian citizens who denounce the system. It is an established fact that many stories have been circulated falsely for effect, nevertheless, we feel the necessity of using our best efforts to prevent these outrages. To this end, our Yearly Meeting has decided to memorialize our Legislature for the abolition of Capital Punishment. It appears that lynchings are more frequent in those states that exercise that mode of punishment.

Now, in conclusion, may the God of peace be ever with you and us.

Yours in the bonds of love and Christian fellowship.

Signed by direction of the meeting

Priscilla B. Hackney. Clerk.

Indiana Yearly Meeting.

From Indiana Yearly Meeting of Women Friends, held in Richmond Indiana by adjournments from the 26th of 9th month to the 2nd of 10th month inclusive 1894.

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends.

Dear Sisters,

Your kindly greeting with expressions of interest for the welfare of the church in all its branches of work, has been an encouragement and inspiration to us. With one common interest, the extension of Christ's Kingdom, may we unitedly push forward the work, with renewed earnestness of purpose, dedicating our lives to the service of the Divine Master, ever seeking to glorify Him. We have the acceptable company of many of the Lord's messengers from other Yearly Meetings.

Our meeting this year has been a season of blessing to many, and there is evidence of spiritual growth among us. The reports of our standing committees show, that much prayerful labor has been bestowed, and the results have been gratifying. The Temperance cause is gaining ground, and we hope the time is hastening when the rum traffic, the source of so much misery, woe, and crime, shall be driven from our land. The importance of cleansing our hands from all complicity with this terrible evil, has been urged upon us. The Christian Endeavor Society is rapidly growing. We believe it is a power for good in the hands of the Lord. The presence of many young women actively engaged in the work of the Lord, has been a cause for great thankfulness. Our Mission work in Mexico has prospered the past year. It is with gratitude to God that we are sending to Matamoras this autumn as, missionary helper and teacher in a boy's school, a young man consecrated, and called of God to the work.

May "the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all, Amen."

We remain in love your sisters.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the meeting

Naomi W. Harrison Clerk.

Timothy Nicholson

Western Yearly Meeting.

From Western Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held in Plainfield, Indiana, from the 14th of 9th month, to the 20th of the same inclusive. 1894.

Dear Sisters

Our hearts are lifted up in thanksgiving and praise under a fresh sense of the Lord's mercies. With hearts aglow with sympathy and love, we greet you in the name of our risen and glorified Redeemer.

Our meeting has been well attended, and its deliberations have been marked throughout by harmony and sisterly love. The presence of beloved friends from other Yearly Meetings, and the receipt of the epistles which were so mingled with the Saviour's love, touched a tender vibrating cord within us, and have deepened our sense of the value of church fellowship. Our hopes are the same, our aims are one, the winning of souls for the Kingdom. Sweet is the thought, it will afford more happiness in the hour of death to present one soul to the Saviour, than to have ruled an empire, to have conquered millions, or to have enslaved the world. The Gospel has been preached with great power in our midst; more and more have we been impressed with the teaching, that except we become like unto Christ, we cannot accomplish this work. A religious writer has said "to become like Christ is the only thing in this world worth caring for, the thing before which every ambition of man is folly, and all its lower achievements are vain, The image of Christ that is forming within us is life's one charge, let every project stand aside for that. Till Christ be formed, no man's work is finished, no religion crowned no life has fulfilled its end."

We have been deeply interested in the progress of the "Christian Endeavor" movement in our midst; and feel that its power is increasing. One branch of it, the "Good Citizenship movement, we firmly believe will in time be the means of saving our loved Country from the direful curse of intemperance. We look forward to its final triumph. God speed the day when we shall no longer have to look upon the victims of rum.

The great subject of Social Purity has been fearlessly

brought before us. The "Friends Boarding Home" for girls, in Indianapolis, which has been established for several years has been the means of preserving pure young lives who have sought refuge within its walls, God bless and prosper this very important phase of work all over our land!

We are truly thankful to our Father in Heaven for the advancement of our mission work in Mexico, and would acknowledge his love and mercy in permitting us, this year, to erect new buildings, and send another worker, Sarah A. Lindley, into the field. As we see a growing interest manifested among us, we are greatly encouraged to press this work vigorously on every hand. We have been blessed with having a young Christian Jew with us, accompanied by his wife. His ministry was with wondrous power. He will soon go to Morocco to labor as a missionary among his own people.

Life is too short to divide between evil and good. Yes short indeed, and yet on this little span of time depends an Eternity! Serious thought! May our church be awakened, as never before, to its great responsibility, and shine forth in the beautiful garments of Christ's righteousness, a grand and glorious church. Christ is the Alpha and the Omega, the inexhaustible source of strength, peace, and joy. Amid the conflicts and services of the day, may the hearts of the Lord's children be stayed upon Him.

And now beloved sisters, farewell! May the joy of the Lord be your strength. "Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace, and the God of love and peace shall be with you".

Signed in and on behalf of the meeting

Lydia Taylor Painter

Clerk.

Epistle to the Sick and Afflicted
of New England Yearly Meeting.

Dear friends

We have gathered in our annual assembly and have keenly enjoyed all that pertains to this meeting. Our hearts have been cheered while listening to various reports from workers in the Master's field, and we have rejoiced that He has owned and blessed the efforts put forth in His name. Much wise and loving counsel has been given, not only by our own earnest members, but also by those who have come amongst us, constrained by the love of Christ. Amid these various blessings, our thoughts have turned in loving sympathy to you, who, on beds of suffering, or weighed down with sorrow, have been unable to share them with us.

We desire to convey to you something of "the comfort wherewith we ourselves have been comforted", and pray that in your weakness, "the joy of the Lord may be your strength". The declaration of old is true to-day to the Lord's children, "In all their afflictions He was afflicted; and the Angel of His presence saved them". May it be your experience in all your trials.

The desire of some of your hearts may be to share in the work in which others are engaged, yet it may be your lot to sit with folded hands. Remember, beloved, "They also serve who only stand and wait". By patiently abiding in Him, the voice of your heart being, "Not my will, but Thine be done," you may glorify Him far more than you could in the activities of life.

As you thus lie passive in His hands, and are moulded, if need be, in the furnace, you will be enabled by His grace to bear the fruits of the Spirit to the glory of God the Father. Shut in from the distracting tumult of life, you may catch, in the stillness, His precious promise, "Lo I am with you always". Or, bending beneath a sorrow so heavy that it threatens to crush you,

the Everlasting Arms will be underneath to sustain, and thus you may be permitted to be yoke-fellows with our blessed Master, and be brought into communion of the sacred fellowship of suffering.

Do not lament if this enforced seclusion is the result of some mistake. Moses, through mistaken zeal, was obliged to withdraw into the mountains, and spend forty years in preparation for the work the Lord had for him. Through faith and patience, however, he attained such a degree of meekness and humility that God could talk to him face to face.

Resignation sweetens the bitterest cup, and by its exercise we are often led out into a large place where our hearts are made glad in the Lord.

Whatever may be your situation in life, whether in the sick chamber, or in the retirement of your home, whether you have large gifts, or only the stammering tongue; whether an abundance of this world's goods in your stewardship, or you know, with the Lord, the want of a place to lay your heads; may the language of your heart ever be:

"O all Thy gifts, Thou art the crowner.
Give what Thou canst, without Thee we are poor,
And with Thee rich, take what Thou will away."

Signed on behalf of New England Yearly Meeting

Timothy B. Rodgers
Ruth S. Murray,
Clerks.

Portland 6 mo 19, 1894.

To the Young People of New England Yearly Meeting.

As we have gathered in this beautiful city of Portland to worship the God of our fathers, and to transact the business of the Church, we have seen with pleasure many of your number in our midst.

We know that some of you are for a time bearing the cares of the home, that some are detained by the pressing and legitimate calls of business, while others are preparing themselves for useful lives in institutions of learning; but, wherever you may be, whatever position you may be occupying, we trust that by the faithful and conscientious discharge of your daily duties, you are being prepared for active service in the affairs of the church which now press so heavily on our older friends. We greatly desire that all our young people may take a deep interest, not only in our meetings for worship, but in those which are devoted to business. Your presence there would be an inspiration and an encouragement to us. We want strong young life infused into the body; we need consecrated hearts that are longing for service, and well-balanced, cultivated minds to direct them.

But it may be that some of you have not arrived at the point in your experience where you can thank God for your birth-right in the Society. You may feel that it has been thrust upon you, that it is an uncomfortable check upon your liberty, and that you do not owe the Society your allegiance. In like manner you found yourselves in your fathers' fields, but do you owe no allegiance, — no loyalty to the home?

We exhort you to take no hasty steps in this matter. As you grow older you will find that those principles, so carefully instilled into your minds from early childhood, have grown very precious to you, — have become part of your very being.

You will increasingly appreciate the privileges, religious, educational, and social, that your connection with the Church has brought you.

The world needs just those principles which

distinguish us as a Society; and which, if faithfully carried out, would be of infinite value in its reformation. May many of you, "strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might," come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty.

We wish more of you might have met with us and listened to the reports of those who have been at work in the great harvest-field, and who feel that only a small beginning has been made. We have realized afresh the greatness of the work, the inadequateness of the workers. May He who increased the loaves and the fishes, that the multitudes might be fed, grant that the seed sown may be multiplied, and a bountiful harvest gathered into the heavenly garner.

Signed on behalf of the meeting
Timothy B. Hussey
Ruth S. Murray. Clerks.

Portland 6 mo. 19th. 1895.

To the Children of New England Yearly Meeting.

Dear Children

Although we do not see many of your number in our Yearly Meeting as most of you are in school learning your lessons; yet we have thought of you, and there have been many things told us that would have interested you.

You would have liked to hear about the little girls at Ramallah, who do not, in their homes, have chairs to sit in, but always sit on the floor. They cannot have all the water they want for a nice bath, but have to do with very little to drink, or use in any way, because for more than half the year in that country no rain falls. Often they have nothing to eat but a little rice. The Friends in our meeting are trying to help them all they can, and they have to learn their lessons as you do. Will you not

Will you not save your pennies to send to them? for they need so much while you have so many nice things. There are little Indian boys and girls, too, who when they learn about Jesus, love to do right. Some of you belong to a Junior Christian Endeavor and are learning how to help others in many kind ways, and by your prayers. But some of you live in the country, and are so much alone that you cannot work in this way with your little schoolmates and friends. Still there are many ways in which you can do good.

We have been told of a little child of three years who said, "Mamma I love Jesus". Some of you are much older than that, and we hope you can all say you love Jesus. If you are not sure about it, ask Jesus to fill your hearts with love to Him. Then your manner will be loving and helpful toward all.

We want you to read in your Bible every day and commit much of it to memory. That Bible will tell you about the Prince of Peace, when He was reviled, that is spoken to scornfully and unkindly, He reviled not again. Do you find it hard sometimes when one speaks to you harshly to bear it patiently and return good for evil? You can do it by the help that Jesus gives, and it is much better, and more brave and noble, to do this way than for a boy to fight with another boy to get his own way, or for one little girl to try to get the better of another by using sharp words. It is this wish in the heart to have our own selfish way, that brings about the terrible wars between nations. If our way is the right one, we shall see things done in our way in God's own time, which will be the right time. King Solomon, to whom God granted more wisdom than to any man who ever lived, said; "Greater is he that ruleth his own spirit than he that taketh a city". So you see that a dear child who can by the Saviour's help, keep his or her temper sweet, is greater in God's sight than a warrior who leads his army against a city and captures it because he is stronger in power than the city. The only warfare in which the children of God should engage, is the warfare against sin in their own hearts and in the hearts of others.

Let love through all your actions run,
And let your words be mild;
Be like the blessed virgin's Son,
That sweet and lovely child.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
Timothy B. Hussey
Ruth S. Murray.

Portland 6 mo 19th 1895.

Minutes
of
New England Yearly Meeting
of
Women Friends.
1896

For other sittings, Epistles, Lists of Committees &c See Men's Minutes.

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Minutes of the Women's Meeting.

Fourth-day morning
Sixth Month 17th.

The meeting met in separate session according to agreement.

Epistles have been read from our Sisters in London and Dublin to our edification.

We have received and read at this time the report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which is encouraging and satisfactory to us.

Report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

To the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends;

Statistics

Quarterly Meetings	No. of Auxiliaries		No. of Members		Honorary Members
	1895	1896	1895	1896	1896
Rhode Island	6	6	99	84	4
Salem	5	6	129	132	18
Sandwich	4	4	54	52	5
Falmouth	4	4	76	86	19
Smithfield	2	2	45	37	0
Vassalboro	3	3	63	55	11
Dover	1	1	10	10	0
Fairfield	3	3	73	61	30
Unionfield	2	2	25	27	0
Total	30	31	574	544	87

Work among the Kickapoo Indians and at Ramallah claims our fresh attention, still but aid has also been extended in several other directions.

There are thirty-one auxiliaries, which is a gain of one over last year. This auxiliary is in East Lynn and starts out with consecrated hearts and earnest purpose. These auxiliaries have five hundred and forty four members a loss from last years number this of thirty. One Quarterly Meeting holds its own, three have gained in membership but the other five have lost. We have a gain of thirty four honorary members.

Sixty public meetings of various kinds have been held. Though this number is larger than last year it is still very small. More effort might profitably be put forth in this direction, and when needed can be arranged. For Children to have a part in recitations and hymns great good can be accomplished and missionary seed sown that will find a lodgment in tender hearts that could not be reached by us who are older.

There seem to have been no objectionable means of raising money this year. It has been chiefly by membership fees, etc.

Work among the Kickapoo has suffered more forbidden. The Mission is surrounded on the new Kansas reservation and Section of Elizabeth Test and Lina V. Lunt. The Indians are now on their allotted lands though not yet taking them in severalty. This land is only three miles from the Mission building so that it now seems very desirable for this and other reasons that the Society should have a title deed to the land on which the Mission stands.

The school house is the only place in which to hold meetings on Friday and it is often very uncomfortably full. There is much need of a tabernacle in which to meet. In this climate such a tabernacle ought to be used every day in the year except Sabbath.

The recent unreliable supply of water in the springs has made it imperatively necessary to make a new

arrangement by which we hope the mission will soon be supplied with good water in plenty.

The Indians have been for a long time in a very unsettled state concerning their allotments. They distrust the white man with just cause, which makes it hard for our missionaries to keep their confidence. "Paulice, the Indian reported last year as converted under the preaching of John S. Kimber, still holds on his way" rejoicing, and often preaches to his own people. Some of the others are often tempted but any less devoted workers would be quite discouraged. The zeal and faith of these two women seems never to flag, and surely their labors will be crowned with success.

We have still the responsibility of the yearly sixty-five dollars for each of the twenty girls at the Training Home at Ramallah, though besides this many of them have to be clothed.

The death of Charles M. Jones has been a severe blow to the mission, but being dead he yet speaketh to the people, and his grave ever since his death kept almost constantly covered with flowers by the loving hands of the children is a continual object lesson to the people, reminding them of the great sacrifice of Him who came from above to die for them.

Alice W. Maxfield
Corresponding Secretary.

Report of Superintendent of Literature from Fourth Month 1st 1895 to Fourth Month, 1st. 1896.

To the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends:-

Reports from thirty auxiliaries show that nine have founded missionary libraries, the number of volumes in these is sixty-five, besides a number of pamphlets. One auxiliary reports that their Sabbath School Library contains such books as they would naturally have in a missionary library, and they do not think it necessary to duplicate.

During the year there have been sent to the local Supts of Literature throughout the Yearly Meeting four hundred and forty-two leaflets have been distributed in twelve auxiliaries, eight hundred of this number in the Swarthmore and catalogues of publications of societies and missionary literature. Reports from auxiliaries show that one thousand two hundred and thirty-five leaflets
Superintendents of Literature. Eleven report a few distributed, but no record kept, and six have not distributed any.

The reported membership of auxiliaries is five hundred and sixty-five, of whom one hundred and ninety-two only subscribe for the Missionary Advocate. This does not include the total number of subscribers in the Yearly Meeting, as many take the paper who are not members of auxiliaries. Seven dollars has been contributed and forwarded to the editor, Eliza C. Armstrong, to enable her to send the "Advocate" to those who are not able to subscribe for it. We hope some new method will be devised by the local superintendents this year to increase the circulation of this valuable paper. Do let us try, and we shall certainly realize, to use the words of the excellent leaflet which has been sent to all, "that we have done what we thought we could not."

Respectfully submitted
Hannah P. Ladd,
General Supt. of Literature.
Providence, Eight Month 10th 1896.

Report of Superintendent of Proportionate and Systematic Giving.

To the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends of New England:—

The statistics of this department as reported by the auxiliaries, are as follows:

Number of tracts received	520
" " " distributed	376
" " Mite-boxes given out	190
" " addresses delivered	22
" who practice Proportionate and Systematic Giving	155

Amount of Mite-box Collections £32.49.

Quite a number of auxiliaries report money as raised entirely from membership fees and free-will offerings; the principal income of most of the remainder seems to be from the making and sale of useful articles, among which quilts are especially mentioned. A few make use of suppers, one reports birth-day bags, and one a lecture and entertainment. One auxiliary, besides their sewing, gathered shells and sold them.

There seems this to be an increasing tendency to free-will offerings, either taken direct from the income, or obtained as pay for work done by the members.

This year three auxiliaries have failed to report at all; one states that they have no such department, and therefore no statistics can be given; and several others give very imperfect reports. One auxiliary, which has usually sent in full and satisfactory accounts, has lately changed the Superintendent in this department; and the new officer, not fully understanding her duties, neglected to keep account of tracts etc, and to ascertain the number who practice proportionate giving. This auxiliary reported last year twenty-four in this practice; another somewhat similarly circumstanced, previously had eight, and one which failed to report this year had nine last year. The probability is that most of these will continue the practice, so that a full report would have increased the number of proportionate givers considerably over last year's, instead of making it less. I am glad to be able to say, on the other hand, that one auxiliary

which has heretofore sent me no statistics forwarded quite a full report this year, although they had not yet formally organized the department.

We trust that next year the three auxiliaries which failed to report, and the others which sent only imperfect reports, will realize the importance of organizing the department and reporting promptly and fully. Let your Superintendent be able to say next year, that she has received full reports from every auxiliary. If this is the case, it can hardly be doubted that the statistics reported to the Yearly Meeting will show a gratifying progress in the work.

Respectfully submitted,

D. P. Atherton, Superintendent

Newport, R.I., Sixth Month 16th 1896.

Report of Junior and Juvenile Bands.

To the W.F.M.S. of New England Yearly Meeting:—

Of the nine bands on the list sent by Sarah D. Brown, four have not re-organized.

The Ella Johnson Band at Winthrop Centre was given up because so many members went away at school, those left at home thought it was better to join the auxiliary there, but they have kept up their interest in their special girl at Ramallah and made up the amount for her schooling this year. They have also held a few informal meetings with the children and their work has been blessed.

Of the other five bands one has not reported; the remaining five bands, Westport, Unionburg, Portland and Deering (joint), South Durham and North Berwick have done good work. Meetings have been held generally once a month. At these they have had texts, prayers, recitations, missionary leaflets read and lessons given on special mission stations. Patch work has been sold and sent to the Indians' schools and Ramallah; also paper-dolls, scrap-books and some clothing.

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Each band has held its own, or 4 numbers, with an increase of five to one.

In all the five bands number sixty-nine members and have raised $71.45 by sales donations, mite-boxes, membership fees, &c.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary W. Jones.
Superintendent.

Winthrop Centre, Me., Sixth Month 9th, 1896.

Report of the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends, 1895 and 1896.

Receipts

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting

Swansea Auxiliary,		$240.00
Newport "		6.00
Fall River "		82.23
Providence "		142.00
Portsmouth "		10.00
East Greenwich "		4.50
	$484.73	

Salem Quarterly Meeting

Salem Auxiliary		$59.54
Lynn "		105.75
Amesbury "		54.00
Boston "		123.05
North Weare "		5.00
East Lynn Chapel Auxiliary		15.00
	$362.34	

Sandwich Quarterly Meeting

West York Auxiliary		$33.00
Alton Bay "		75.00
Long Plain "		11.50
Smith's Neck "		22.77
	$112.27	

Fairfield Quarterly Meeting

Winthrop Centre Auxiliary		$14.00
Winthrop Centre Memorial for Lavinia W. Briggs		10.00
West Gardiner Auxiliary		3.00
Hallowell "	$145.00	5.00
Amount brought forward	$1104.34	

Amount Brought Forward		
Parsonsfield Quarterly Meeting	[illegible]	
East Parsonsfield Auxiliary		$[illegible]
North Sandwich "		27.00
	$[illegible]	
Falmouth Quarterly Meeting		
South Durham Auxiliary		$35.40
East Durham "		65.00
Portland "		127.24
Windham Centre "		11.00
	$238.64	
Smithfield Quarterly Meeting		
Bolton Auxiliary		$47.25
Woonsocket "		69.46
	[illegible]	
Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting		
China Auxiliary		$66.00
East Vassalboro "		66.00
Unity "		9.00
	$141.00	
Dover Quarterly Meeting	$ 12.00	
North Berwick Auxiliary		
Bible School Collections	159.52	
Interest on Trust Funds	36.50	
California Yearly Meeting	65.00	
Western Y. M. of Women Friends	40.50	
Junior Bands	114.50	
N. Pa. & E. of N. E. Y. Meeting	320.06	
N. C. & E. of Lucile Mich.	17.96	
Memorial Gifts for		
Julia E. Olney $10.00		
Lavinia G. Huntington 10.00		
Flora M. Bailey 10.00		
Hannah A. P. Larkin 10.00		
Margaret C. Rimbow 10.00		
50.00	50.00	
Miscellaneous	[illegible]	
Contribution	.53	
Donation S. J. S.	40.00	
	$2,649.31	

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Expenditures

William J. Hussey, for Rent in Rhamm's House	$1300.00
William J. Hussey, for Gas & Coke	25.00
Chas. M. Test and Lina R. Hunt Salaries	650.00
Elizabeth Test, from Western Yearly Meeting Women Friends	40.00
Elizabeth Test from C. C. & C. C. of Pacific Yearly Meeting	10.52
Elizabeth Test from C. C. & C. C. of New England Yearly Meeting	220.06
Freight on Bbs. to Elizabeth Test	10.31
Expenses of Public Meeting at Newport	36.00
Amount Borrowed 3 Mo 31st 1875	60.29
George C. Herbert, Printing	1.45
Wm. J. Winslow, Trustee, Four Life Memberships	80.00
Hiram E. Winslow, Trustee for Deceased Life	60.00
Exhibition Book & Expressage	5.50
Postage	2.50
Providence Auxiliary Expressage	.72
E. W. Longstreth, for Jewish Missions	45.00
E. M. Maybee, Annual Rent for Jewish Miss.	12.00
Edward Binns, Trustee for Rent of Life & Lease	30.00
	$2649.24

Received for Account of Interest Building Fund,
Proceeds of Note of M. M. Bailey $119.00

Four life members have been added during the year. The list now stands as follows:

Elizabeth T. Larkin
Hannah L. Bailey
Caroline Alice Jones
Mary R. Osborne
Hannah B. Farr
Huldah H. Eagleton
Ella H. Johnston
Anna L. Wood
Ruth S. Murray
Emeline H. Tuttle
Olive K. Rathbun
Lydia C. Sawyer
Mary H. Robinson
Phebe A. Sydlott
Mary E. Gifford
Sarah L. Smith
Mary A. Macomber
Elizabeth A. Gifford
Hannah L. Thurman
Lina R. Hunt
Lucie P. Hawkes.
Lucy R. Goddard
Myra E. Page
Adeline F. Grace
Mrs. Amanda Bailey
Lelia M. Bailey
Sophia L. Bailey

Respectfully submitted. Susan R. Reader
Recorder & Treasurer.
Herbert this Tenth 12th 1876

I have audited the foregoing accounts, and the vouchers for expenditures, and find them correct.

M. Augusta Batty
Auditor.

Report of Trust Funds of Women's Foreign Missionary Society of New England
Year Ending.

Receipts.

Cash on hand	$13.01
Interest on Nebraska Loan and Trust Company	12.00
Interest on A. F. Cox & Sons' Note	5.00
Interest on Deposit in Savings Bank	6.70
For Four Memberships @ $10.	50.00
For six Memorials @ $5 ($3.00)	60.00
	$176.80

Expenditures

Paid Susan H. Meader, Treasurer	$36.80
Deposit in Savings Bank	140.00
	$176.80

Amount Held in Trust.

In Augusta Savings Bank	$300.00
Nebraska Loan and Trust Co.	200.00
A. F. Cox & Sons' Note	100.00
	$600.00

For the Trustees.
Mary G. Winslow
Winthrop Centre, Me., Fifth Month 26th, 1896.

I have examined the foregoing account with vouchers and find them correct.
M. A. Batty
Auditor.

The following named Friends have been appointed as officers of the Society for the ensuing year:

President Edith A. Lydecott, 244 Rock St., Fall River, Mass.

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Vice Presidents-at-Large- Myra E. Tuge, Woodford's
Ruth S. Murray, Grove St.
New Raford Mass
Corresponding Secretary, Alice W. Maxfield Amesbury
Recording Secretary and Corporation Clerk,
Abby M. C. Reed 34 Beach Ave. Lynn, Mass
Treasurer, Susan H. Medder 634 Warren St. Boston
Quarterly Meeting Vice-Presidents
Rhode Island Adeline F. Chace
Box 416. Fall River, Mass
Salem- Jennie W. Crossman
Mountain Ave. Lynn, Mass.
Sandwich Elizabeth R. Gifford
Adamsville, R. I.
Smithfield Sarah L. Smith
32 Oak Ave. Worcester Mass
Dover Almira B. Sutton
Fort Kennebec, Me.
Falmouth Miriam C. Webber,
Lisbon Falls, Me.
Vassalboro Eliza P. Pierce,
East Vassalboro, Me.
Parsonsfield Mary E. Colt
Parsonsfield, Me.
Fairfield Elizabeth Hawkes, Manchester, Me
Trustees of the Permanent Fund
For One Year- Hannah L. Bailey, Winthrop Centre Me
For Two Years- Anna M. Cove Seabrook, N. H.
For Three Years- Mary G. Winslow, Winthrop Centre, Me

Superintendents of Departments
Proportionate and Systematic Giving.
Deborah P. Atterlow, Uxbridge, Mass.
Literature, Emily M. Jones Livingston, Me.
Junior and Juvenile Work,
Mary H. Jones, Winthrop Centre, Me.

Auditors
M. Augusta Kaiting, Providence, R. I.
Elizabeth H. Swan, 2 Derne St. Boston, Mass.

Box Committee.

Chairman, Mary B. Johnston
469 Cumberland St. Portland, Me.

Isabelle D. Chase, Cherry St. Lynn, Mass.
Olive H. Weeks, Friends' School, Providence, R.I.

The Report of the Committee on Purity was read and accepted. In this, as indeed in every work, there is need of much prayer and of dwelling in the secret place of the Most High. We encourage the work and, with many prayers that they may have wisdom from above, we commit the work again to a committee. M. Augusta Batley and others are appointed a nominating committee to present names of Friends to constitute that committee.

Report of the Committee on Purity.
To the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends:-

"Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up the highway; gather out the stones; lift up a standard for the people" (Isa. 62:10)

Loudly the voice of the prophet calling to duty sounds in our ears to-day.

We know purity of life to be God's command and true loyalty to Him requires that we should not only be pure ourselves, but put forth earnest, practical, consecrated effort for the uplifting of those who have fallen, create and develop correct public sentiment and help in the training and shielding of the young from the corrupting influences of the day.

We are glad that not only parents, but ministers, teachers, physicians and Christian workers are giving prayerful thought to this subject, and by their timely utterances are helping to forward the work so greatly needed.

Our reports are encouraging, and there seems to be an increasing desire that more effort may be put forth in the future. Written reports from eleven members of the committee have been received. Seven Mothers' Meetings have been held, at one of which an excellent and very helpful address on "Home Making" and "Heart Keeping" was given. It is believed that if this address could be given in every meeting in our S. S. much good would result.

About three thousand pages of literature have been distributed. Five copies of the "Report of the National Purity Congress" purchased and circulated also four copies of the "Philanthropist" taken, and a few subscribers obtained to the "New Crusade"

A sermon entitled "The Growing Sin of the Age" and tracts recommended by me were read, heard with attention and a suggestion made that it be printed in leaflet form for general distribution. There is a great call for the leaflet published by the committee, "The Questioning Age," which is now out of print. Eight dollars will publish two thousand copies of this leaflet. With God's blessing resting on each one of these, who can estimate the result? We must provide for this literature work. Shall we have them? Last year we had twenty-eight dollars, every cent of which, we believe, was needed and profitably expended.

The formation of "Child Culture Circles" is also suggested as a means of great good. If the mothers in any neighborhood would meet together monthly for prayer and the discussion of vital subjects connected with child training, we believe much good would be done. Leaflets especially designed for such meetings, twelve in a series, will be brought out next year.

Literature can be obtained free of cost by application to the Secretary. This item should not a statement of the time required

Have abhorrence to be an increasing and honest desire to know the truth, and also humble prayer for wisdom and Divine guidance, which we know will be given according to promise.

Respectfully submitted,
Adeline H. Chase. Cor. Sec.

Report of Treasurer of Purity Committee

Receipts From Conventional W. T. M. at Portland Sept 9 cents. 8,95 $1.0.35
Contributed by Friends 7.20
Total $17.58

Expenditures

For four copies of "Philanthropist" $2.00
Five copies of Purity Congress Report
For use of members of Committee 11.00
Literature and Postage 3.58
Total - - - - $17.58.

Mary Almy Chase
Treasurer.

Committee on the Subject of Purity.
Organization.

Chairman - Emeline H. Quite,
Corresponding Sec. Elizabeth F. Larkin
Recording Secretary Salome C. Wheeler
Treasurer - Mary Almy Chase.

Committee on Literature
Mary Almy Chase, Mary C. Rayliss, Martha R. Adams

General Committee.

Mary Almy Chase Box 124 Manchester N. H.
Elizabeth F. Larkin 12 Central St. Peabody Mass
Lizzie C. Rayliss 14 Bedford St. New Bedford Mass
Emeline H. Quite' Dover, N. H.
Salome C. Wheeler, Uxbridge Mass.
Abbie E. Jenkins, East Pascaloura Me.
Martha R. Adams Manchester, Me
Phebe S. Pope East Greenwich, R. I.
E. Elizabeth Jones, Newburg, Ohio.
Adeline H. Chase, Box 355 Fall River, Mass
Angeline McPherson Winthrop Centre, Me.
Adelia A. Briggs, Cass Co. Mich. Bros. Phoenix A. T.
Eliza B. Douglas, Lisbon Falls, Me.

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We are united in requesting that one session of the Yearly Meeting of 1897 be a separate session.

Adjourned to meet immediately with men Friends in joint session.

Alice W. Mayfield
Clerk of the Women's Meeting.

Newport Sixth Month 1896.